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County Wins Time; Loses Freeway Savings

MALCOLM AND JOANNE MILLARD find a comfortable place to sit on a veranda at the Boranda Adobe in Carmel Valley. For a photostory by Carolyn Rice on the historic house and what it means to the Millards, see page 18.

By Carolyn Rice

SACRAMENTO—The California Transportation Commission (CTC) approved the county's request for 60 days to study a new plan to widen Highway 1 Wednesday, but said the county couldn't keep any savings if it chose a cheaper alternative to the Hatton Canyon Freeway.

In what appeared to be at least a small boost for the freeway, the CTC rescinded its decision two months ago to allow the county to keep any savings from $43 million set aside for the proposed freeway for other highway improvement projects.

The action came on two votes, both unanimous.

Joseph Duffel, a commissioner from Concord who also has a home in Pebble Beach, made the motion to give the county two more months to study the widening plan known as 4/U. A supporter of the design which would build underpasses at Ocean Avenue and Carpenter, he declared: "Under no circumstance would I suggest any savings go back to the county....I want the people to approve a solution and not be bought."

Robert Shelton, a commissioner from Corona Del Mar who came to the peninsula Monday and walked through Hatton Canyon, agreed.

"I think there is a lot of commission concern with the action we took regarding the disposition of any savings." He made the motion to rescind the CTC's guarantee than any savings could be kept in Monterey County.

Director Jerry Gromko of the County Public Works Department defended the 4/U plan as "feasible, safe, cost-effective and

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CHS, River School Need $3.3 Million In Basic Repairs

By Carolyn Rice

Fifty-year-old Carmel High School and 40-year-old River School need at least $3.3 million in repairs to make them safe and extend the life of the buildings to make them suitable for continued use, the Carmel school board was told.

"Nothing has been done wrong here. Nothing has been neglected. It's just old," said Tom McGinley about the high school. The same holds true for River School, he said.

His company, T.R. McGinley and Associates of Campbell, Calif., prepared cost and condition reports on the schools, noting plumbing, heating, water, drainage, sewer, fire alarm, windows and electrical systems need replacing with the most extensive repairs needed at the high school.

River School needs about $700,000 worth of repairs and the high school $2.6 million. About $1.6 million of the work should be undertaken immediately at the high school and about $264,969 at River School, said McGinley who directs the San Jose State University construction management program. The rest needs to be completed by 1999.

"I'm just overwhelmed," said board member Dan Hightower after hearing McGinley's report.

"We've always said, 'Oh, the high school. It's falling apart.' Now we know exactly where it's falling apart," said board member Pat Herro.

The high school has an enrollment of about 630, while River has some 470 stu-

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Carmel Managers Hit Impasse

By Isabelle Hall

Carmel's top employees from the police and fire chiefs through nine department heads and managers have reached an impasse with the city in negotiations for a new labor contract, according to a knowledgeable spokesperson.

The Management Association met and voted for the impasse, another source told The Sun, saying the information was off the record pending a meeting with City Administrator Jere Kersnar to deliver the message.

"As far as I am concerned talks have not broken off with any of the groups," Kersnar said. "We haven't broken off discussions with any group. I continue to be optimistic."

As the 25-member Carmel Police Officers Association did two weeks ago, the management group plans to ask the city to bring in a state mediator at no cost to either party to negotiate the impasse. The management group had asked the City Council for a written response to its proposals by Nov. 15, but the spokesperson said there had been no response.

Both employee groups have reached an impasse on the issue of retirement. They want the present age of 60 reduced to 55 for eligibility for the 2 percent per year of service retirement program, effective in the 1994-95 fiscal year. This would cost the city nothing during the current fiscal year, a spokesman said.

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Final Sun Poll Count Still Favors Freeway

Final results of a Sun poll showed that almost 70 percent of those responding favored construction of the Hatton Canyon Freeway over a proposal to widen existing Highway 1 or do nothing to relieve traffic congestion around Carmel.

Ballots received up to 6 p.m. Monday were counted after some readers complained the initial voting deadline set by the newspaper did not allow enough time for everyone to respond.

With 1,332 responses returned and counted, the breakdown was:

Freeway	923	69.3
Widening	383	28.8
Nothing	26	0.195

Valley, Peninsula Losing Once Potent Political Clout

By Stan Hall

With little notice or fanfare, the peninsula and especially Carmel Valley have lost a significant share of their once potent political influence.

"Yes, and it's going to get worse, not better," said Fran Farina of Carmel Valley, a member of the water management district board and unsuccessful candidate for supervisor this year.

"The peninsula is a cash cow for the county, and we're going to have increasingly limited influence on how the money is going to be spent," she told The Sun.

The erosion has prompted some Carmel Valley residents to begin talking about possible incorporation to become self governing. But even the strongest proponents of creating a new city in some parts of the Valley acknowledge that it would be a long and difficult process. So far it's just talk.

For his part, Dick Heuer of Carmel Valley said the Monterey Peninsula accounts for about half of the county's local tax income and suggested that the county ought to be divided so that the peninsula is a governing entity unto itself. But he concedes that the procedures for dividing a county are extremely difficult. "No county in the state has ever successfully split itself," he said.

Also a member of the water management district board, Heuer agreed that the loss of political power will only get worse. "The peninsula and Carmel Valley are growing more slowly than other areas of the county, and as that continues, redistricting will shift more and more political influence to the areas with faster-growing populations."

The erosion in the area's political clout this year has occurred mainly because of a chain-reaction change in the top jobs starting with former Rep. Leon Panetta and from court-ordered redistricting of the Board of Supervisors following the 1990 census.

Changes working to rob the area of influence include:

- Replacing Panetta of Carmel Valley, a 16-

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LETTERS

Carmel Looked Great to the Country

It was appalling to read in your Nov. 11 edition that Councilperson Barbara Livingston found the Good Morning America show filmed at Carmel's beach on Nov. 8 "shallow and extremely commercial." Did she miss Leon and Sylvia Panetta, the stories on the sea otter rescue program, the marine sanctuary designation, Point Lobos, early California authors, the Monterey Bay Aquarium's efforts to protect and educate and the Doris Day Pet Foundation?

In my opinion, "the essence of Carmel" and its beauty were the major themes throughout the entire program. The many pans of the over 600-person audience, the discussions about tree preservation, and the quality of life in our community and even the interview with Mayor Ken White were all intended to show not only the essence of Carmel but our spirit as well.

It appears that Councilperson Livingston was wearing blinders during the show and saw only what she wanted—or didn't want—to see. Look again, Barbara. We looked great to the rest of the nation .

Toni Doyle Jepson
Carmel

The author is executive director of the Carmel Business Association.—The Ed.

Thanks for the Support

The Cachagua Community Center would like to thank all of the local businesses for their support—Ahoy There, The Last Chance, Sweet Retreat, Carmel Valley Pharmacy, Hacienda Video, Hacienda Hay and Feed, Murphy's Lumber, Ringer's General Store and Mushrooms and Produce.

With the help of their donations, our Halloween hayride and party were a real success. We would also like to send a heart-felt thanks to all of the parents who volunteered their time and assistance with the hayride and party. It was truly wonderful to see such a community effort.

Jennifer Swanson
Cachagua

Freeway Poll a Disservice

Your poll is a terrible disservice to our community. The only thing it proves is that a dedicated minority can manipulate an unscientific gathering of data.

I first read your newspaper late Wednesday. I saw the poll forms and decided to reply. I then saw that you required replies within 48 hours. It was too late to mail. I have no fax, and to be honest, I did not have the dedication to rush to your office with my response.

The idea of a freeway running through our special area is so distasteful. Underpasses if we must, but, please, no Hatton Freeway. The fact that you are using this poll in banner headlines is not balanced journalism. I hope other readers also express their displeasure.

Douglas Mooers
Carmel Meadows

Prove the Poll Wrong

It is not right that a City Council should maintain a position in direct opposition to that of a majority of its constituents. In view of The Sun poll showing that a clear majority favor a Hatton Canyon routing over widening Highway 1, the Carmel council should either reverse its stand on the Hatton Canyon route or provide a professional poll which shows The Sun's results to be wrong.

Edwin B. Lee
Carmel

ALICE IN WONDERLAND CAFE
TODAY'S MENU
IF YOU HAVE A BEEF TO HASH OVER, TRY OUR CORNED BEEF HASH WITH EGGS BENEDICT ARNOLD OR SCRAMBLED EGGHEADS AND MAYOR WHITE'S TOAST IN A PUDDLE OF GOOSEBERRY JAM
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Thanks for Doing the Freeway Poll

Many thanks to The Sun for running its poll on the freeway. For far too long, people have made all kinds of claims of support for this project or that one. In the meantime, nothing has been done.

It doesn't matter to me so much how the poll turned out as it does that the people have had a chance to express their views about Highway 1. Our politicians should have given people the chance to express their views a long time ago instead of listening to the rabid partisans on both sides of the issue.

If most people want the freeway, let's try to get permission to build it. If we can't get permission, then let's widen the road. But for goodness sake, let's do something.

Charles B. Haley
Carmel Highlands

Consolidating 25 Water Agencies

In this political era for reinventing government, it is time to consider why our water and sewage agencies have failed us. The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD) and Local Agency Formation Commission are now evaluating some of this dilemma and are talking mergers and consolidations.

Let's look at some options and not just combining the MPWMD with the county's Monterey County Water Resources Agency (MCWRA). Here are some thoughts worth considering designed to solve the bigger problem of eliminating duplication of some 25 water, sewage and drainage agencies within the county.

1. The MPWMD:

a. Change the present boundaries to eliminate responsibility for Fort Ord's water supply.

b. Change southern boundary to include Rancho San Carlos water shed now in the County's Salinas-based MCWRA district.

c. MPWMD takes full responsibility for providing urban and suburban storm water quality management for all the drainage basins in the district.

d. Establish a system for recycling both the sewage and the harvested stormwaters to provide reservoirs and dual pipe systems to deliver irrigation type waters. This replaces the stress on the potable water system.

e. Instigate a sewerage plan for the whole Carmel Valley over the next decade to avoid sewage seepage into our major drinking water reservoirs—the river aquifers.

2. The MCWRA will need some merging and consolidation but may not be able to combine with any peninsula or Fort Ord water facilities for years to come. It makes little sense in 1993 to expect that agency to take on worries other than the Salinas Valley water shed.

3. The Fort Ord-Seaside-Marina corridor is subject even now to merging possibilities. This may certainly occur in one form or another as the Fort Ord Reuse Group and the Army come to terms on what type of total infrastructure they will agree to. One possibility is a separate special water sewage, drainage and toxics cleanup agency but it will need close liaison and land-use planning by several agencies.

4. Another agency subject to merging or revamping may be the Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD) and part of the Pebble Beach Community Service district (PBCSD) involved with the joint ownership of the sewage system for Carmel and Pebble Beach. At least these agencies must be involved with the non-point source pollution from the stormwater runoff within their districts.

Keep tuned for more movement for changes to our aquastructure agencies. Get your thinking caps on and wish list opened for improved services from these agencies.

Wm. C. Woodworth
Pacific Grove

The author is a former member of the MPWMD board.—The Ed.

The Mission Has Senority

I'll bet the Carmel Mission regrets the day it let itself be annexed to the City of Carmel. I can't believe the way the Carmel Planning Commission and the City Council act toward it. First, they wouldn't allow a lighting program that a San Francisco man wanted to give to the tune of $40,000. Lighting the mission would make it as inspirational at night as it is in the daytime—and safer, too.

Now, even worse, the Planning Commission may make the mission dig up its nice new parking lot by the ball field. If they have to dig up the parking lot, it will be a crime, and it doesn't matter whether it's to put in islands of trees or to look for Indian artifacts. Either way, it's nuts.

In an area where it seems to be important how long you've lived here, I'd remind people that the mission was here a long time before the city. Maybe some of these newcomer commissioners and council members ought to remember that. (Myself, I've only lived here 27 years.)

John S. Casey
Carmel

He Says the Questions Were Wrong

"Let me write the questions, and I can get answers to prove anything you want." The poll taken by The Sun did not receive a response from me (and how many others?) because I didn't agree with any of the given choices.

A very popular choice (though not included in your poll) is for an underpass at Carmel Valley Road. It is in the Environmental Impact Report as Alternative 4C. The reason 4C is in the EIR is that more than half the letters responding to the draft EIR asked for it.This mirrors the petition drive done in 1989 that gathered some 5,000 signatures opposing the freeway. I found that more than half of all the people—both opposing and supporting the freeway—asking (unprompted) "why don't they just put an underpass at Carmel Valley Road?" All other petition gatherers echoed this observation.

A responsible scientist is always willing to admit that he or she made an error in an experiment, fix it and try again. Please redo the poll and include that question.

David Dilworth
Carmel

The alternatives offered readers in the poll are what the county and the state highway agencies are considering at present. If we do another poll and if Alternative 4C is under active consideration by those agencies at the time, it will be included.—The Ed.

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Railroad Expert Ed Jordan Named to State Commission

By Isabelle Hall

Ed Jordan, former CEO of Conrail, resigned as vice chairman of the Carmel Planning Commission to accept an appointment to the newly created California Commission on High Speed Passenger Rail.

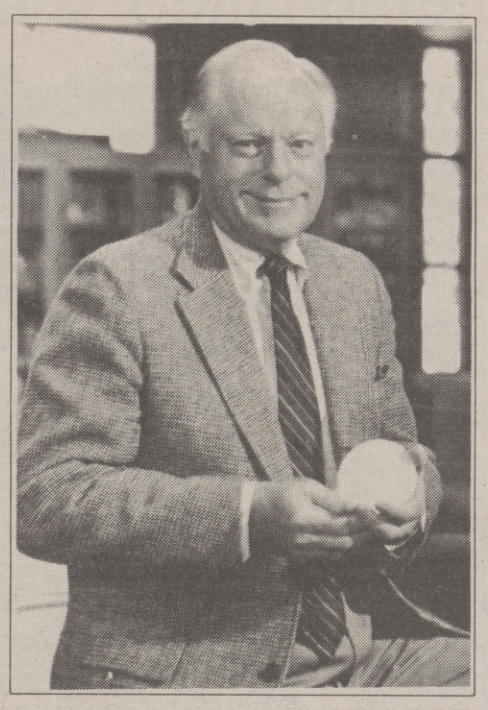
Jordan, 64, was appointed to the commission by Gov. Pete Wilson. He said the first meeting of the new group which will look into the development of a high-speed passenger rail system between Los Angeles and San Francisco was scheduled in Los Angeles early in December.

"I think it's a real tribute to him to be named to this important commission and to Carmel to have have someone from our community," said Mayor Ken White. "We're going to miss him on the Planning Commission, his good mind and his insightful questioning. He's the one who asked the good questions."

Pointing out that Conrail was a freight system, Jordan said he felt he was asked to join the commission because, "they were looking for someone with experience in reorganization."

Jordan was president of the U.S. Railway Association which handled the reorganization of the nation's railroads in the 1970s when first Amtrak was set up and then Conrail. He was president of Conrail from 1975 to 1980.

"Our job in the reorganization study included the evolvement of passenger rail," he said, leading to the creation of Amtrak.



ED JORDAN

Jordan was named to the Planning Commission by former Mayor Jean Grace in September, 1991. He was elected vice chairman a year ago when Jack Kennedy took the chair after Carla Ramsey's term ended.

Jordan's departure from the seven-member commission leaves just one Grace appointee—Kennedy whose term expires next fall. He will serve until a replacement is named.

White said he had asked each member of the council to give him the names of two of the applicants they favored from the people who were interviewed for another commission vacancy last week. They were Paula Hazdovac, Yoko Whitaker, E. Pope Coleman and Barbara Smoak. A fifth candidate, Marshall Hydorn, was approved on a 3-2 vote and was scheduled to take his seat Wednesday, succeeding Lindsay Hanna.

Jordan's successor as vice chairman was expected to be appointed at the Dec. 8 meeting. Traditionally, the second place job has been given to the senior member who will be Maggie Hardy. On the constantly changing commission, Hardy is a relative newcomer having been appointed in 1992 for a one-year term and reappointed last September for a full four-year term.

In terms of seniority, other members rank as follows: Carl Livingston, Melanie Billig, John Thodos and Hydorn.

As a planning commissioner, Jordan tended to take an even-handed position. He was a strong advocate of private property rights and clearly felt that business should be given every opportunity to succeed in Carmel.

He is president of the board of directors of the Carmel Public Library Foundation and a member of its Sterling Circle of donors which he created with a deferred bequest of $500,000. The Sterling Circle was created to recognize generous donations to the foundation either immediate or deferred.

A graduate of the University of California at Berkeley in economics, Jordan earned an MBA from Stanford University in 1953. He was president of the American College at Bryn Mawr, Penn., from 1982 to 1988. He began his career as a financial analyst with Ford Motor Co. where he worked until 1961. His corporate directorships included the Budd Co. of Troy, Mich., and American Carriers, Inc. of Kansas City, Kan.

After moving to Carmel several years ago with his wife, Nancy, he worked for the Hatton Canyon Coalition and the Monterey Institute of International Studies. He also served on the Carmel 2016 Committee.

MARSHALL HYDORN was scheduled to be sworn in Wednesday as a member of the Planning Commission. He fills the seat vacated by Lindsay Hanna whose term expired.

Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

Fax Explains Fax In Freeway Debate

How sensitive is the freeway issue? Jim Cullem, Carmel's public works director, sent a fax to newsrooms Wednesday explaining an earlier fax he sent announcing the local professional engineers society had endorsed the Hatton Canyon Freeway.

Cullem, public relations chairman for the engineers' group, said that although the first fax was sent from the Carmel City Hall, it "in no way constitutes a change of the city's formal position on the freeway issue."

What Cullem didn't know is that like most machines, the Carmel fax automatically prints a line showing where it is being sent from on every transmission—"CITY HALL CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA."

The city of Carmel is a party to a lawsuit challenging the freeway, the City Council having approved $10,000 to pursue it.

Cullem said he sent out the second fax after talking with City Administrator Jere Kersnar. Cullem said Kersnar didn't object to the cost of the fax, but was concerned it "might cause some confusion about the city's position."

Water Board Told

Juvenile Steelhead Resurgent, But Los Padres Fishing Changes Mulled

Juvenile steelhead have returned to near normal numbers in the upper Carmel River after all but disappearing four years ago during the drought, the water management district board was told Monday night. But the outgoing chairman said he wanted to reconsider continuing to allow fishing behind Los Padres Dam anyway.

"It's foolish to continue to allow fishing there when that costs us as many fish as deaths at the spillway," said Ken Long, who will step down from the chair and the board Dec. 3. "Given all our efforts to save steelhead, it's like the right hand doesn't know what the left hand is doing."

He made his remarks after hearing Darby Fuerst, the district's water resources manager, report on an annual count of 0-3 year-old fish in the 14 or so miles of river below Los Padres Dam.

Fuerst told the board that the survey this year found some 75,000 young steelhead in the stretch of river from the dam to the Robinson Canyon Bridge. He said that worked out to 98 fish for every linear foot of the river, noting that 100 fish per linear foot would be the norm and the most the river could carry.

He said the results showed a remarkable resurgence in the number of juvenile steelhead in the river since 1989 when he said the survey found just .14 steelhead per foot. "We're back to where the (juvenile) run was in '73 and '74," Fuerst said.

"It's amazing that they're coming back like this after just two wet years," Fuerst said of the juvenile steelhead.

However, he said the district's studies showed that 22 percent of the young fish coming over the spillway at Los Padres are killed despite recent efforts to provide a safer way for them to get down. Referring to regulations that continue to allow fishing behind the dam, Fuerst said:

"We suspect that the loss of juvenile fish from fishing in the reservoir is as great as the deaths that occur when they try to get over the dam," Fuerst said, adding that the district would like the State Fish & Game Department, which makes such rules, to impose more restrictions on fishing in the reservoir.

It was then that Long asked General Manager Jim Cofer to put the issue of fishing behind Los Padres dam on the board's next monthly agenda. It was banned in the river below the dam two years ago.

But he added that the number of adult fish in the river still "is a long way from the norm." He said studies at the San Clemente Dam fish ladder counted 317 adults this

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County to Go Ahead with Judges' Election Plan Despite State Warning

County Counsel Doug Holland said he intends to proceed with a proposed settlement to create seven "election areas" in the county for the election of Municipal Court judges despite a warning from the state attorney's office that the plan is unconstitutional.

In a letter to Federal Judge Ronald M. White, Deputy Attorney General Manuel M. Medeiros said the attorney general's office might intervene to block the proposal.

Medeiros' letter said the plan violated the state constitution's requirement that municipal court judges be elected at-large rather than from districts. He also questioned if the proposed settlement didn't violate the 14th and 15th amendments to the U. S. constitution.

To the dismay of some judges and residents, Holland announced last month the county had agreed to pay $250,000 in legal fees and have Municipal Court judges elected from various areas within the county in the future rather than at large. He said he would submit the plan to a three-judge federal panel in San Jose to settle a lawsuit brought by Joaquin Avila, a Milpitas voting rights attorney who earlier won a redistricting lawsuit and got $650,000 from Monterey County.

"We fully intend to proceed with the settlement" as soon as possible, Holland told The Sun. He said the letter from the attorney general's office amounted to simply its opinion of how to apply one state law and balance it with federal voting rights laws.

In his letter, Medeiros wrote: "As proposed, the plan would evidently use race-based criteria to configure 'election areas' for the purpose of denying some residents of the Municipal Court District the opportunity to elect one or more of the judges who will sit in that district."

The plan accepted by the county would provide for election of judges in 1994 from two election areas, known as East Salinas and East County, which both have at least 75 percent Latino populations.

Holland said he thought the proposed settlement was appropriate because the seven election areas were created not solely on the basis of the race of their populations, but for other reasons as well.

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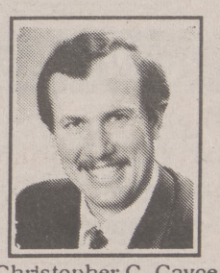

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SHERIFF'S LOG

RIO ROAD. Alerted by an owner of Mail Boxes, Inc., at the Crossroads when a woman tried to send a large amount of money, a deputy contacted her and found that she was about to become a victim of a telephone scam. 11/8.

VILLAGE. A man who lives on Carmel Valley Road said he loaned his car to a girlfriend and she didn't return it. The girlfriend was identified as a transient who lives in Seaside. The car subsequently was found abandoned at the Burger King in Seaside. 11/9.

Cash Box Found

HIGHLANDS. A Highlands Inn maintenance employee reported finding a metal cash box and some mail. 11/9.

CARMEL. A man said he found a book in his driveway on Carmel Knolls Drive. 11/9.

BIG SUR. The owner of the River Inn reported a forgery. 11/9.

RIO ROAD. An employee of Monterey Baking Co. reported a door was broken during the night. 11/9.

SOUTH COAST. A tourist from Missouri reported finding a backpack along Highway 1 near Garrapata Creek. The owner was contacted in Oakland. 11/9.

CARMEL. A man who works for Scudder Roofing reported a residence on Dougherty Place had been burglarized. He said stereo and TV equipment was taken. 11/10.

School Burglarized

VILLAGE. The administrator at Tularcitos Elementary School reported two classrooms were burglarized, with two TVs and two VCRs being stolen. The loss was valued at $850. A deputy said entry was gained through a ventilation window. 11/10.

CARMEL. A man reported finding his wife dead of an apparent heart attack at their High Meadows Lane home. 11/11.

CARMEL RANCHO. An Albertsons employee reported having a man in custody for shoplifting a bottle of liquor. 11/11.

CARMEL RANCHO. The Pacific Soft Works reported it was broken into over night and a fax machine was stolen. 11/11.

CARMEL. A woman reported finding a "home-made firecracker" in the street in front of her Rio Vista home. 11/11.

Credit Cards Recovered

CARMEL. Carmel police reported a Big Sur man turned in credit cards he found at Highway 1 and Aguajito belonging to a Paso Robles woman. The woman said she had lost her wallet in Carmel. 11/11.

RIO ROAD. A woman who lives on Rio Road complained that a strange looking man came to her door "looking for a lost glove." She told a deputy she sent him away. 11/11.

RIO ROAD. A Monterey woman said someone cut the top on her Chrysler convertible when it was parked near Longs Drugs. She estimated the damage at $700 to $800. 11/12.

BIG SUR. A man who lives near Rocky Point reported his wife let a transient in their house, and he now wanted him out. A deputy said he took the transient to the Monterey bus station. 11/12.

Vandals on the Loose

CARMEL MEADOWS. Residents reported several instances of malicious mischief over night, including three smashed car windshields, one broken tail-light and three vandalized mail boxes. 11/13.

BIG SUR. A man who lives in Bixby Canyon said several mail boxes at Highway 1 and Old Coast Road had been knocked down, two being smashed beyond repair. 11/13.

VALLEY. A woman who lives on Carmel Valley Road reported finding a sawed-off shotgun and a partially empty bottle of tequila in her car when she cleaned it out. 11/13.

Tools Taken

CARMEL. A woman said tools had been taken from her home on Camino Del Monte, adding she suspected they were taking by a person who was doing some painting for her. 11/14.

CARMEL. A woman who lives on South Carmel Hills Drive said eggs were thrown at her Toyota and the paint was scratched with a key while it was parked near her home overnight. 11/14.

CARMEL. An Oakland man, who had been drinking in the river, was arrested for being drunk in public after getting into a fight, a deputy said. 11/14.

WITH THE NEW SPAN opened to traffic on Esquiline Road, work crews removed the earthen detour that motorists have used all summer while construction was under way. Howard Gustafson, the Public Works engineer overseeing the $2.2 million job, shown in front of the truck, said the dirt was hauled to Laguna Seca to fill in a pond. He added some landscaping still remains to be done around the bridge and where the detour was placed. The new span replaced the narrow 50-year-old Rosie's Bridge. Some residents are asking if it's appropriate to name the new crossing Rosie's, too. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

New Bridge Finished by Deadline; Should It be Named Rosie's, Too?

Beating a deadline for being out of the river, work crews finished a new $2.2 million bridge on Esquiline Road in Carmel Valley Village, opened it to traffic and hauled away the dirt detour motorists have used all summer during construction.

"I think the bridge is a tribute to the people of the Village and their input on its design," said Dr. Jerry Gromko, Monterey County Public Works director. "I drove over the bridge on Saturday. I can only say that the contractors did a fantastic job in meeting tight deadlines."

Gromko said the design, color and texture of the bridge as well as the separate pathway on the west for bikers, walkers and equestrians all were the result of suggestions made by Village residents.

After several years of controversy, the decision to replace the narrow, steel-floored Rosie's Bridge was made after two youths suffered serious cuts when they fell while riding their bicycles across it. Some sentiment had existed for saving Rosie's as an historic structure. It was built in 1946.

Initially, some residents suggested they wanted the new bridge also to be named Rosie's in honor of William Henry, who ran the nearby Rosie's Cracker Barrel for years.

But Marvin Pylate, a member of the Carmel Valley History Society, told The Sun he had been getting telephone calls recently from people opposed to naming the new box-girder structure Rosie's.

"The ones who have called feel that Rosie's is gone, and that this is an entirely new bridge and shouldn't have the same name. I wonder if more people feel that way?" Pylate asked.

Howard Gufastson, a Public Works employee who served as on-site engineer for the project, said that trucks hauling away the dirt used to create the detour were taking it to Laguna Seca and using it to fill a pond there. He said the big rigs—most of them double bottom—went to Carmel and then used Highway 1 to get to Highway 68 when loaded to spare their tires and brakes of the stress of going over steep Laureles Grade. When emptied, the trucks came back over the grade, Gustafson said.

The State Fish & Game Department, one of several agencies that had to issue permits for the detour to be built, imposed a condition that workers be out of the river by Nov. 15, ostensibly the start of the rainy season. The detour had a large culvert running under it to allow the continued but reduced flow of the river during the dry summer months. It was not large enough to handle heavy flows.

Gufstason said the area under the bridge and where the detour was located would be landscaped before the project was done. He said many live oaks would be planted along the river banks.

MCM Construction was the prime contractor for the new span, and Granite Construction was responsible for building and removing the detour.

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Karas' Suggested Merger Stirs Great Water Board Commotion

By Stan Hall

Supervisor Sam Karas' request for an initial study into the possibility of merging the water management district with other county water and sewer agencies caused great commotion among his fellow directors Monday night.

Karas' request that the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) begin an investigation into consolidation probably wouldn't have caused any more stir even if he had been there. He suggested a possible merger of the water management district with the Monterey County Water Resources Agency and the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency.

The idea was denounced roundly by all the other Monterey Peninsula Water Management directors except Fran Farina, who didn't say much.

Dale Hekhuis appeared to be the most outraged. Saying the proposal could open the way for peninsula residents to have to pay for the Salinas Valley seawater intrusion project, he declared: "We do not need this kind of favor. We do not need the assistance of the Board of Supervisors to manage peninsula water resources."

Karas missed the meeting. An aide said he had to be in Sacramento late Monday to testify before an Assembly committee considering legislation on the formation of new towns related to base closures. Karas, who serves as the appointed representative of the supervisors on the seven-member board, raised the hackles of his fellow directors shortly after his election as fifth district supervisor in June when he said he said he wanted to serve on the Fort Ord Reuse Group rather than the water board. Challenged, he subsequently agreed to sit on both.

"I assume we have to take this proposal seriously," Hekhuis said. "But what I don't understand is why the one supervisor who represents the peninsula is taking the lead on this."

Hekhuis said Karas did not discuss his initial decision to leave the water board with his colleagues either. "You'd think he would counsel with the district first."

When director Jim Hughes suggested that the board hold off on any significant reaction and put the item on the board's December agenda so that it could be discussed with Karas, Hekhuis said: "That's assuming you can get a hold of him to talk to him. I don't want the district to be passive. This already has been started."

In the end, the directors did agree to put the issue on its December issue and to keep its response low-key for the time being.

In a memo to fellow directors, Karas said he had asked LAFCO, on which he also serves, to "do a partial study...LAFCO's first assignment is to contact the Department of Justice to determine whether any consolidated agency's board of directors would be required to conform to the Voting Rights Act."

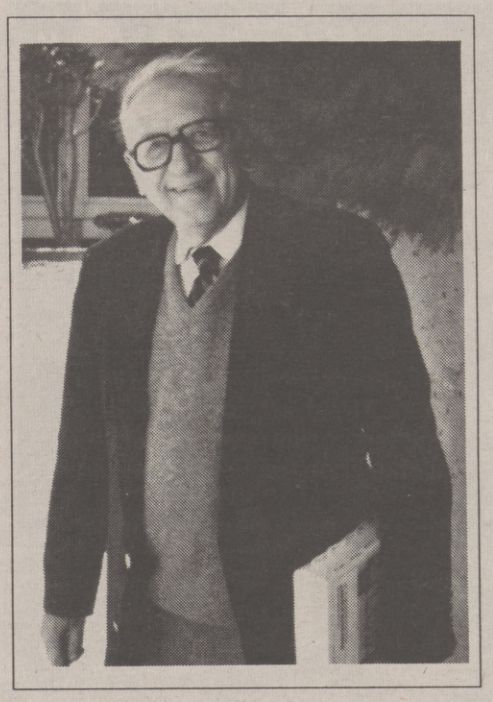
In his memo, Karas cited the state's budget problems which resulted in cutbacks in state tax distributions to cities, counties and districts. "I firmly believe that we can reduce administrative costs and duplication of efforts without reducing the services we now provide."

Jim Cook, executive director of LAFCO, said his staff would report back to the full commission on Dec. 14 with suggestions for studying not just a three-agency merger, but "a full range of other considerations."

"Everything is wide open at this point," he told The Sun. "We'll tell them 'Here are some possibilities.'"

"Bigger isn't better," declared Chairman Ken Long. "Our house is in order." Citing a 20 percent reduction in the water district staff, he said the other agencies "haven't met the kind of fiscal scrutiny we have. The proposal is ill advised...Fruitless."

Director Dick Heuer said "None of us think this is a good idea. Any consolidation would cost the public of this district an awful lot of money to help pay for the



SAM KARAS

(project in) Salinas Valley."

Lou Haddad, a member-elect of the board who will take his seat Dec. 3, endorsed the idea of considering consolidation with the sewer agency and half-heartedly agreed that he would not be averse to also considering the Salinas-based water agency.

But he said he would not make a final decison until a feasibility study is completed, suggesting it should be done by five volunteers with special expertise from the community.

"It would save the users money, I think," Haddad said of merging the peninsula water board with the regional sewer agency, "maybe 50 percent savings. Instead of two bureaucracies, maybe you'd have one and a half."

Members noted that recent amendments have given LAFCO more power to order consolidations. Hughes questioned, "do we fall under the purview of LAFCO," considering that the district was created by state legislation.

He also said that the amendments to LAFCO provide that two representatives from special districts in the county can serve on the commission. For a time members discussed writing all the special districts in the county to seek their support for having two of their representatives serve on LAFCO.

But the idea was dropped after Farina said she was not comfortable doing that without gathering more information first. "We don't want to jump in the pool until we see whether there's water in it or not," she said.

Cook said the water management "absolutely" falls under the purview of LAFCO, adding that recent amendments do give it the authority to initiate consolidations.

Carmel Budget Is On Track

Hostelry tax receipts for the year to date are running about even with budget projections, City Administrator Jere Kersnar reported.

Kersnar said that all receipts were in with the exception of one inn. Assuming collection of the one tax, he said year-to-date figures are $7,947 under the projected revenues to date and $21,499 over last year's actual revenues for the same period.

"In other words, this revenue is right on the budget projection," he said.

Meanwhile, the Police Department reported that traffic ticket revenue had dropped from $31,888 a year ago to $19,505 through the month of October. At the same time, fees for false alarms handled, which were raised in the current budget, increased from $2,090 a year ago to $10,660 for this year to date.

Water District Pay Raise Dies on Directors' Tie Vote

By Stan Hall

Chairman Ken Long delivered his most eloquent and powerful appeal at his last meeting as a water board member Monday night, but a proposal to give employees a cost-of-living raise still failed on a tie vote after two members-elect argued against it.

Darlene Burkleo and Lou Haddad, who will take their seats at ceremonies at the district's Monterey offices Dec. 3, both stayed past 10 p.m. to urge the board to put off action on the raise until a mid-year budget review in January when they will be on the board.

Declaring he always had been a fiscal conservative, Haddad said he was "willing to risk getting off on the wrong foot with the staff" to "reflect the concern of the general public" about increasing government spending.

Both he and Burkleo told the board that they thought members had agreed at their October meeting to take up the deferred 3.2 percent increase in pay at the upcoming budget review, not at the regular November meeting.

After sometimes passionate argument—led by the usually low-keyed Long—members split 3-3 on the proposal. Long was joined by directors Dale Hekhuis and Jim Hughes in voting for an immediate increase. Voting no were directors Fran Farina, Dick Heuer and David Pendergrass, mayor of Sand City. Supervisor Sam Karas was absent.

With his voice rising, Long cited his experience as fire chief in Los Angeles as he called the increase "fair, responsible and equitable" and said the board had committed itself to granting it.

"I hear things I can't believe," Long said. "If we leave employees hanging in the wind at the whim of politicians, we're wrong.

"We have the money, and we should pay our staff," he added. "We can't let them be mistreated."

Long did not identify which politicians we was referring to, but he used phrases such as "leaving employees twisting in the wind at the whim of politicians" at least twice.

Farina challenged assertions by Long and Hughes that the district's financial picture was healthy.

"Contrary to statements that we're financially healthy," she said that a third of the way through the district's fiscal year, new connection charge income was running just 16 percent of what had been projected. She also disclosed that she cast the lone no vote on the issue in the district's Administration Committee.

For his part, Heuer said he favored the increase, but thought the budget review was the proper time to consider it. As for a surplus in the district's salary budget, he said: "You shouldn't necessary spend the money just because you have it in the account."

Saying "We're just beating a dead horse," Hekhuis agreed with Long that the board had committed itself to granting the raise at the November meeting. "A commitment was made, and I'm all for standing by my commitments."

Hekhuis also lectured Haddad on what the Consumer Price Index is, saying it is a "market basket of goods and services" that people most routinely buy in their daily lives.

Haddad had cited falling costs for such things as cars, computers, washing machines and apartment rent. He added that the median sales prices of a single family home in California was down 4.3 percent from last year.

"Where most of this COLA increase comes from is government," he declared, "...not the private sector."

Haddad also cited cutbacks in staff by cities from Carmel to Salinas, noting that as a result of staff reductions, "the city of Seaside now closes every Friday." Haddad is a former Seaside mayor and Burkleo a former Seaside councilwoman.

Long and Hekhuis both will leave the board when Haddad and Burkleo are sworn in. They championed the board's decision to go to voting district rather than at-large elections for directors which left them ineligible to succeed themselves.

In April, the district's staff voluntarily agreed to forgo a raise based on the cost-of-living because of uncertainty over how much the district might lose in revenue because of the state budget crisis. Since then, the district said it had learned that it would receive more than $500,000 in tax revenue whereas members once feared the state could take it all.

A staff report on the issue noted that the personnel budget is projected to have an $80,000 surplus for the fiscal year, and that the proposed raise would cost the district just $24,500 for the remaining eight months of the fiscal year.

Farina argued, however, that the increase would amount to $36,000 for a full year and create a new, higher base on which future compensation would be figured.

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Owners Are Wary

Two Houses Named Candidates for Historic Preservation

By Isabelle Hall

The Historic Preservation Committee put what is believed to be Carmel's oldest structure and the Kinoull Estate on its candidate list for historic designation Nov. 10. The owners of both properties requested the action but remained cautious about going through with it.

The Powers Studio on the beach below San Antonio just south of the Carmel Gate to Pebble Beach also was approved as a designated historic property by the committee, the next step in the process. It is believed to have been built as a barn by John Monroe Murphy in 1846.

But owners Kirstie Wilde and Paul Miller of Pacific Grove made it clear they were not obligated to go forward if the Planning Commission does not give them a lot line adjustment. They were scheduled for a hearing before the commission Wednesday after The Sun went to press.

Grady O'Hara, owner of the Spanish-style house on Torres once occupied by the legendary Countess Claude de Kinoull, was sent to apply for historic designation by the commission when he asked it for a lot line adjustment although such a request must be voluntary under the ordinance.

"Mr. O'Hara may submit an application for designation at some future date," Planning Director Brian Roseth told the committee. "He's not certain he wants to do that yet."

The two properties are the second and third to go on a candidate list under the recently enacted ordinance. The Powers Studio is only the second to receive approval for historic designation.

Wilde wanted to know when she and her husband had to commit themselves to having the Powers Studio designated historic because some neighbors have objected to their lot line change. They want to split the site on which the studio stands into one 7,170-square foot lot and create a second 11,888-square foot lot to the south. The parcel was subdivided in 1954 establishing two building sites.

"We didn't want any misunderstanding that we were extorting some sort of favors," Wilde told the committee. "But before we go broke with design review and people yelling and hiring lawyers, we thought we'd just say okay never mind and we'd just approach it a different way...We're not going to go away mad and take our house with us."

PAUL MILLER AND HIS WIFE, KIRSTIE WILDE, at left, showed members of the Historic Preservation Committee the Powers Studio which they purchased on San Antonio. The cottage is believed to have been built in 1845 and be the oldest structure in Carmel. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

She assured the committee they wanted to preserve the house and had no plans for anything but restoration.

"Tearing it down is not in the cards," Vice Chair Enid Sales said.

Bruce Kibby, a Monterey planner who is chairman of the Carmel committee, explained the benefits of historic designation to Wilde: "If you're willing to preserve a building, the city is willing to add value, if possible, in exchange for preserving its heritage. So don't look at it as extortion."

"If you withhold your signature, this petition goes away," Roseth told her.

Wilde, a former television news announcer and reporter, spent months researching the history of the Powers studio after buying the property and prepared expensive brochures for each committee member. But she said, "Paul and I were surprised at the reaction at the Planning Commission. We thought somebody would say something nice to us but they didn't."

She said the 16,000-square foot double lot "begs someone to come in and build a 5,000 square foot mansion on it." She said she and Miller had no plans to build themselves because they regarded the purchase of the land as an investment and had fallen in love with the historic house.

"We don't intend to occupy these properties," Wilde said. "For financial reasons we need to sell the lot or the house...We want to get the property to a point where people aren't afraid to buy it. When you're involved in getting permits in the City of Carmel, 90 percent of the people are terrified of that process. They just won't touch the situation. We hope to design a home that somebody would like and get through the process...so that someone will have the gumption to do it."

Praising Wilde's research on the property, Sales invited her to join the Carmel Historic Survey.

Although the architect of the Kinoull house is not known, the committee decided it qualified for historic designation both architecturally and because of the famous person who lived there. The recommendation will be sent to the Planning Commission when it rehears the lot line application Dec. 8.

Built in 1920, it was purchased by Kinoull in 1948. O'Hara bought it in 1987 and has remodeled it extensively.

"There's no question about this person's fame," Sales said. "She had international recognition. She contributed large amounts of money for a new hospice. She bequeathed large amounts to the monastery and virtually started the SPCA and then continued to support it."

When it came to the vote for putting the house on the candidate list, Jane Mayer abstained without explanation. Later in a further discussion of the countess, she said, "She was a very tough lady. She was extremely critical."

"There was no question she was a Fascist," Sales said. "That's why she had to get out of Spain."

Although the committee agreed it should not be involved with lot line adjustment concerns, Kibby said, "I would like to see whatever lot line is done be respective of their views from the Kinoull house. This is one of the places where you would use the flexibility we have in this area. We could have a 90 percent floor area ratio but preserve the views."

Roseth said O'Hara wanted the lot line adjustment because at present it runs right under the house on the 1-1/2 acre lot. "He may need to sell the property or refinance it," he said, explaining the reason for having a second lot to the south of the house.

"We certainly don't want the house torn down," Sales said.

"The present owner has made it far more elegant than it ever was," Mayer said. She described the 5,000-square foot house as the biggest house in town. Sales said Flanders Mansion was the biggest house with 6,000 square feet although a recent city survey of its properties put the size at 2,000 square feet.

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Preservationists Upset at Sunset Center, Flanders Remodeling Plans

Members of the recently created Historic Preservation Committee expressed their frustration at plans to remodel Sunset Center and refurbish or sell Flanders Mansion, two of Carmel's major city properties, without considering their significance to the city.

"Are we ever going to be involved in this Sunset Center business?" Committee Member Ralph Tober asked. He referred to City Council approval of an $11 million plan to remodel the theater in the aging school building that served the city as a school before being acquired as a community center in the 1960s. "This is an historical spot."

"Not according to them," said Vice Chair Enid Sales, adding that she had tried to get on the Sunset Task Force Committee without success. "They're going to tear down the center section and change the entire interior."

But Sales suggested at a Nov. 10 meeting that the proposed remodeling "may be moot. I don't think $11 million grows on trees."

"They're dealing with city-owned buildings," Chairman Bruce Kibby said. "Flanders Mansion is on the National Register."

The City Council voted Nov. 2 to approve a plan by Carmel Heritage, which leases Flanders Mansion, to have the Alliance on Aging prepare it for a fund-raising Decorators Showcase next fall.

"There's a lot of strong opposition to Sunset from people who feel very strongly about that building, children who went there," said Jane Mayer.

"Are we a self-referral agency?" asked Kibby.

"You have a pretty broad charge," Planning Director Brian Roseth told him.

"It's not just kids, either," Sales told Mayer. She said there were people in the arts who had been associated with Sunset Center for years, some of whom "take exception to this put-down about its acoustics."

"There's no lack of strong feelings," Mayer said.

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Tularcitos and River Schools Overcrowded, Group Told

In addition to needed repairs at Carmel High and River Schools, overcrowding at Tularcitos and River have stretched both to the bursting point, a Carmel school facilities committee heard Tuesday.

A subcommittee offered two options for solving the elementary school overcrowding—opening either a kindergarten center or small elementary school at Carmelo, a district-owned school located at Mid Carmel Valley. Closed as an elementary school in 1982, part of the school is now used for the district child care programs.

Rosemary Montgomery, assistant superintendent, told the 37 members at the committee meeting that Carmel Middle School's student population increased to 575 this fall. That means moving fifth grade classes to that school as once suggested is no longer an option because there is no room, she said. In addition, proposals to move fifth graders to Middle School was opposed by many district parents when it was suggested last spring.

With four kindergarten classes at Tularcitos this fall, that school will need another relocatable classroom next year to accommodate an additional first grade class, Montgomery said.

The committee was told that Tularcitos now has an enrollment of 511 students, and River has 472.

Tularcitos has had to operate a morning and afternoon kindergarten program to accommodate the large kindergarten population this fall.

Barbara Beck, who directs the day care and before and after school programs for Carmel, noted Pacific Grove created a kindergarten center, which consolidates kindergarten classes in one location. She said the center has been very successful.

As potentially envisioned for Carmel schools, kindergarten classes now taught at Tularcitos and River would be consolidated at one location, Carmelo. Captain Cooper School in Big Sur would continue to operate a separate kindergarten because Big Sur is so far away.

Several people said they also thought a 40-minute bus ride to Carmelo was too long for kindergarten children who live in the upper Valley. But others pointed out it was just 10 minutes longer than the children would be on the bus to Tularcitos.

Another drawback to the kindergarten center noted by one parent would be that large families could have children in many different schools.

If approved, a kindergarten center could perhaps be opened by next year, Montgomery said.

If a small elementary school was created at Carmelo, it would not be able to offer the same physical education, music, speech and language, counseling and library services as are offered at Tularcitos and River, Montgomery said.

"Services would come to the school one or two days a week."

Enrollments for both a small grade school and a kindergarten center were projected to be about 160 students. Students for an elementary school at Carmelo would come from south of Los Laureles Grade and include Carmel Views.

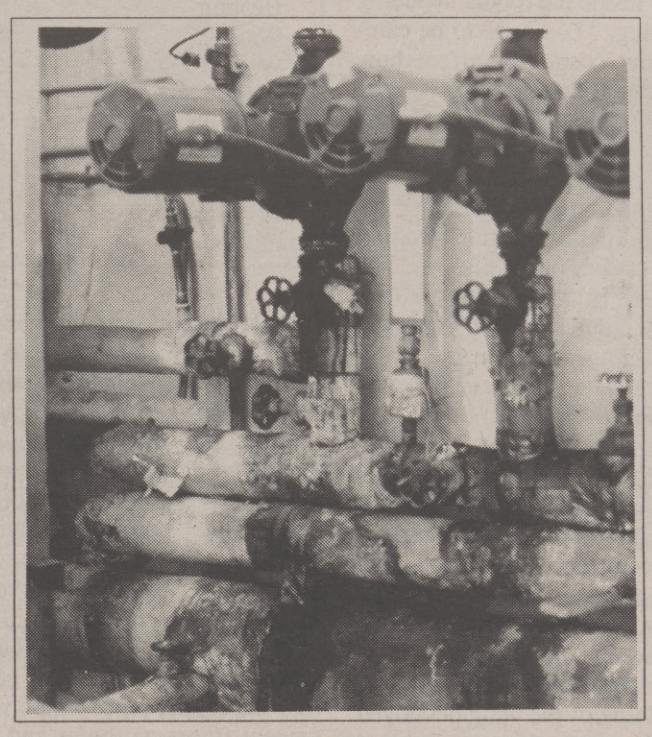
"It was interesting to find where our students are," Montgomery said. "They're not in Mid Valley."

The kindergarten center would cost less to open than an elementary school because an additional classroom teacher would be required for the elementary school. Costs were also estimated to be less for classroom furniture and equipment for the kindergarten center than the elementary school.

The costs for a kindergarten center were projected to be $255,598 to $326,223, while a K-through-five school would cost $345,098 to $441,239.

Before reopening, Carmelo would need $81,200 to $96,200 worth of remodeling, including asbestos abatement, carpeting, a heating system, bell system, phone system and painting, the committee's report said. Those costs were included in the total cost estimates.

School board member Frank Pinney asked which solution parents preferred, but the committee said it had not solicited parents' opinions yet.



THE CARMEL DISTRICT elementary schools including River School, above right, are overcrowded. Compounding the financial problems for the district are the repairs needed at River School and the high school. The 50-year old boiler room at the high school, above, needs to be replaced as does much of the rest of the school infrastructure. See story on page 1. *Sun file photos*

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Carmel High and River School Need Costly Repairs

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dents in kindergarten through fifth grade.

McGinley who also spoke to a school facilities committee on Tuesday said both schools have been kept in excellent condition for their age. "I almost never see 50-year-old buildings. Most districts have torn them down," he said.

Dick Roberts, a retired contractor and Carmel resident who served on the school facilities committee last spring, asked the board to commit the $223,000 in undesignated funds in this year's budget to facility repair. He also said any money left over from $700,000 which has been added to the district's $2.3 million health care budget from the general fund should be used for upkeep projects.

Herro told him the board has already been considering those measures.

Frank Pinney, the board chairman and a building contractor, agreed with McGinley that repairs will become even more costly if they are not done soon.

McGinley told the board the roofs needs extensive repairs. "Failure to get roofs fixed in time will cause structural damage," he said. If roofs are not replaced within two years, substantial damage will occur to the ceilings in the classes and dry rot will occur in the structure, he said.

McGinley compared the schools to a car. "Carmel High School is at the 100,000 mile point for an automobile," McGinley said.

He praised the maintenance staff for the care they have given the buildings and said he found no basic structural problems at either school. He told the board the structural life of buildings is usually 100 years.

He rated each repair as to its severity with a rating of 1 indicating the failure of the item could endanger the building's occupants. A severity rating of 2 indicated failure of the system would cause closure of the building. A 6 rating indicated a disintegration just in aesthetics on the severity code.

Plumbing, heating and electrical systems are at the end of their life span when a building reaches 50 years of age, McGinley said.

The boiler room at the high school which provides heat and hot water by pumping hot water through underground pipes needs replacement. "This system is failing. At 50 years of age it has reached the end of its life," McGinley said. "Forced air natural gas would be a better system."

McGinley also warned against putting off cosmetic repairs inside the rooms including paint and carpeting. "You have to be careful. Studies show cosmetics affect how children and teachers react in the classroom. The tendency of schools is to put off anything cosmetic. You do damage to the learning and working environment if you ignore cosmetics too much," he said.

The wood windows at the high school have dry rot, he said. Most of the windows in the older section of the campus are failing from weather deterioration with the wood casing pulling away from the structure and allowing water to enter the walls. "This will eventually cause structural failure," McGinley said.

He added he was "amazed at the cost" of replacing the large, custom windows. He told school officials they should hire an architect to "cook up a better design" which might cost less. He said he recommended double-pane, aluminum frame windows to replace the old steel frames.

Carmel Superintendent Vance Baldwin said in the rebuilding of the wing destroyed by an arson fire last June, the school priced double-pane windows but decided to use single-pane ones because of the high cost.

The storm drain at the high school which collects water near the gym also is failing, McGinley said, and the galvanized water pipes for drinking water need replacement.

The cracked cement slabs at the high school and the walkways at River "could present safety hazards to students," he said.

Rooms have a lack of electrical outlets needed for computers and other equipment not in use when the schools were first built, he said. Floor tiles are lifting up or missing. "You could cover them with larger tiles or carpet," he said.

Part of the high school and River School have floor radiant heat. McGinley said the copper pipes which were laid in the cement floors get holes and leaks after 25 or 30 years as the cement contracts and expands.

The fiber acoustic tiles are falling off the ceilings at the high school due to the disintegration of the glue used to attach them to the ceiling. "Many rooms are missing tiles," he said. "We could conduct classes with no ceiling tiles, just glue spots up there." But cosmetic finishes are the most obvious factors in an environment," he noted.

Carpets last about 10 years with moderate use and then is frayed and worn and dirty beyond cleaning. Fluorescent lighting typically lasts 30 years before its wiring becomes brittle and its lens and reflectors are worn out, McGinley said.

McGinley showed a video of the high school and a similar one on River School at the school facilities committee meeting Monday afternoon. He also submitted reports on both schools.

"As a structure grows older and more systems and components reach the end of their useful life, the rate of expenditure necessary to keep a building operational increases dramatically. Typically the expenditure of time and money necessary to maintain a structure in the 50 to 60 year age range will be five to six times the rate of expenditure to maintain an identical structure in the 10 to 20 year age range," his report said.

McGinley estimated the remaining life span of the River School buildings at 60 years and the high school at 50 years.

Other areas which need repairs include:

- The waste piping system at the high school is collapsing and could pose health hazards.
- The fire alarm systems at the high school met requirements when it was constructed but could be replaced with a better system.
- Storm drainage pipes at the high school are failing in some areas due to corrosion.
- Underground potable water pipes at the high school are galvanized iron and will leak more each year until the system totally fails.
- Underground irrigation piping for watering playing fields and other areas is also beginning to fail.

At River School McGinley said the interior and exterior lighting is inadequate.

Most Costly Repairs

A consultant reported to the Carmel school board what repairs are needed at Carmel High and River Schol. The most expensive items were:

River School	
Classroom Lighting	$55,360
Walkways	$29,720
Exterior Lighting	$18,240
Electrical,	$22,800
Heating	$91,460
Hot water	$7,980
Roofing	$94,325
Carmel High School	
Heating	$545,470
Water	$142,321
Waste Piping	$167,189
Storm Drainage	$37,178
Miscellaneous	$73,334
Fire Alarm	$102,147
Windows	$270,252
Irrigation pipes	$130,000
Electrical	$120,269

What's in Worst Shape

A consultant to the Carmel school board assigned a severity rating to needed repairs at Carmel High and River schools. A rating of 1 indicates a strong potential for someone to get hurt. A 6 rating pertains just to aesthetics. Here is the rating the consultant gave to various items:

Carmel High School	
Plumbing	1
Windows	2
Flooring	3
Doors, latches	2
Lighting	2
Ceiling	5
River School	
Lighting	1 to 2
Plumbing	1 to 3
Boiler	1
Flooring	3
Ceilings	5
Heating	2

Consultant Says River School Not Easily Expanded

Few opportunities exist for expanding River School, according to Tom McGinley, a consulting engineer hired by the Carmel School district.

"If economics were the only consideration, it would probably be best to sell this school and build somewhere else," he said.

Expansion to the flat field south of the school probably would not be allowed by the Coastal Commission due to potential damage to wildlife habitat, McGinley said. Also, the state would not permit construction in the area because it is a flood plain, he said.

Much of the 9.5 acre property lies about 10 feet below the existing school buildings and within the flood plain, McGinley said.

Mission Ranch owned by Clint Eastwood borders the school on the east, and it has public streets on the north and west.

Building a second story on all or a portion of the school would be a poor economic choice which should be made only when no other alternatives are possible, he said.

Cost of a second story expansion could be as much as 150 percent more than building a new school, he said, noting new construction would run about $145 per square foot while adding a second story could cost as much as $217 per square foot.

In considering a second story for the school McGinley said the district should note:

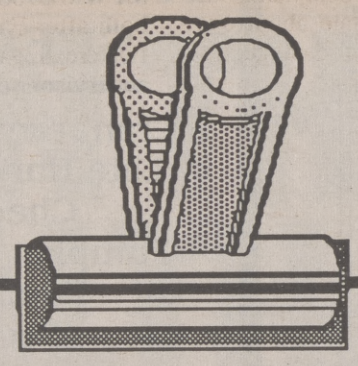
- River school requires more than $700,000 in repairs by 1999.
- The cost of building the same size of school elsewhere is about $3.4 million.
- The River school property is probably worth several times that of a new school site not fronting on a wetlands.
- Building a second story 50 percent of the size of the existing school would cost around $2.5 million.

"It is likely that a new school could be built on other land for less than the value of the existing property," McGinley said.

But he noted the school is attractive and people in the community are sentimentally attached to it. "The district will have other considerations beside economics in making a decision, and these are beyond the scope of this report."

A San Jose company called Enshallah, hired by the school district in 1992, told the board the River School property might be sold for as much as $6 million for subdivision into residential lots, and a larger elementary school could be built on the property next to Carmel Middle School for around $5.4 million.

Portables might be added at the school, but would take up playground or parking space, he said.



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Representation of Peninsula Interests Is Diminishing

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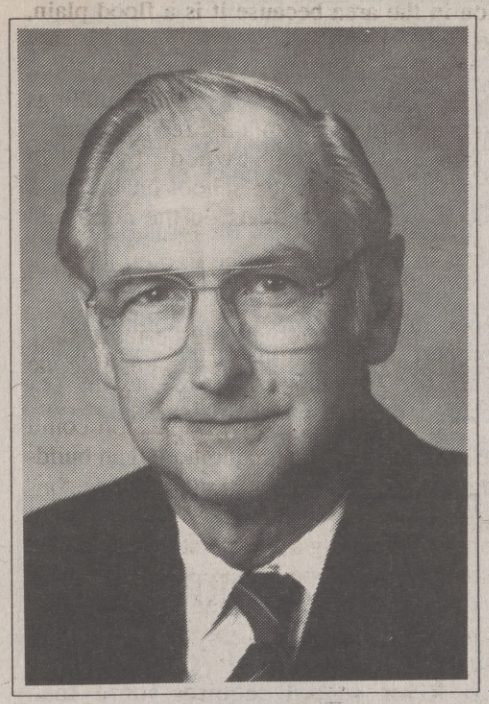
year veteran of the House and chairman of one of its most powerful committees, the Budget Committee, with freshman Rep. Sam Farr of Carmel.

- Replacing Farr, a 12-year veteran of the state Assembly, with Bruce McPherson, a junior legislator in Sacramento whose experience and background is in Santa Cruz County.
- Replacing two members of the Board of Supervisors, Sam Karas and Karin Strasser Kauffman, as peninsula representatives with just Karas. This was the result of redistricting imposed by a federal court judge in a case brought by Latino activists.
- Changing the way directors are elected to serve on the board of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD)—an agency that historically has had strong representation from Carmel, Carmel Valley and Pebble Beach. As a result of the switch from at-large to voting district elections, directors from Carmel and Pebble Beach will be replaced in December with directors elected from Seaside and Monterey. In 1995, the other three directors will be elected from voting districts, giving Carmel and Carmel Valley only one representative on the seven-member board.

In his role as Budget Director for the Clinton Administration, Panetta still wields significant influence, but is not as focused on local concerns as he was when he served as the clear leader and spokesman for area politicians. "The most critical issue in this area," noted one observer, "is land-use, and there's no federal role in that."

"There's no leadership now," complained an elected official from Carmel, noting the role that Panetta formerly played. "There's no one taking the lead to help this area."

A former elected official agreed. "In all



DICK HEUER

the recent campaigns, I did not see anyone who offered a real program for the area. People ran on a hodgepodge of positions with no cohesion or goals behind them."

Beyond that, one former official noted that McPherson is a Republican while most other elected officials in the area tend to be Democrats. She suggested that split could make it even more difficult for someone to step into the leadership vacuum left by Panetta.

A resident of Carmel Valley, Strasser Kauffman championed its interests for nine years on the board, working tirelessly and showing up at events large and small throughout her sprawling district.

Karas lives in Monterey and represented "the other side of the Hill" for nine years before being elected from the redrawn fifth district. Some critics complain that is still his principal concern.

Asked about the criticism, Karas said, "I'm sorry if people feel that way. But my days are absolutely full. I try to attend every event that I'm invited to in Carmel and Carmel Valley."

Critics say Karas is accessible when contacted, but is not visible the way Strasser Kauffman was. "He got elected and just disappeared," one critic said, asking to remain anonymous because he still must work with Karas.

Other politicians close to Karas, also asking not to be quoted, theorized that he still is reeling from the shock of his razor-thin election in June.

"I really believe it shocked the heck out of him, and maybe that's what's wrong with him," said an elected official who strongly supported Karas in his race for supervisor against political neophyte Jeff Davi.

"Here he was, sitting on the top of the heap, and this 25-year-old kid comes along out of the blue and nearly knocks him off. I simply don't think he has gotten over it yet."

Citing a number of public and private meetings he has held on Carmel Valley issues, Karas also said that he had offered to speak to the Carmel Valley Property Owners Association, the Carmel Valley Village Improvement Commitee or other groups that invited him.

He also defended his continuing interest in the reuse of Fort Ord, saying the loss of the base would affect Carmel Valley and Carmel, although not as much as cities closer to it.

Ileene Crane-Franks, a Carmel Valley real estate broker who worked for Karas' election, rejected suggestion that he was giving short shrift to Carmel-Carmel Valley interests.

"Anybody would look bad trying to follow Strasser Kauffman," she said. "She was everywhere. She was consumed with the job—reveled in it. No one could follow her and not suffer by comparison."

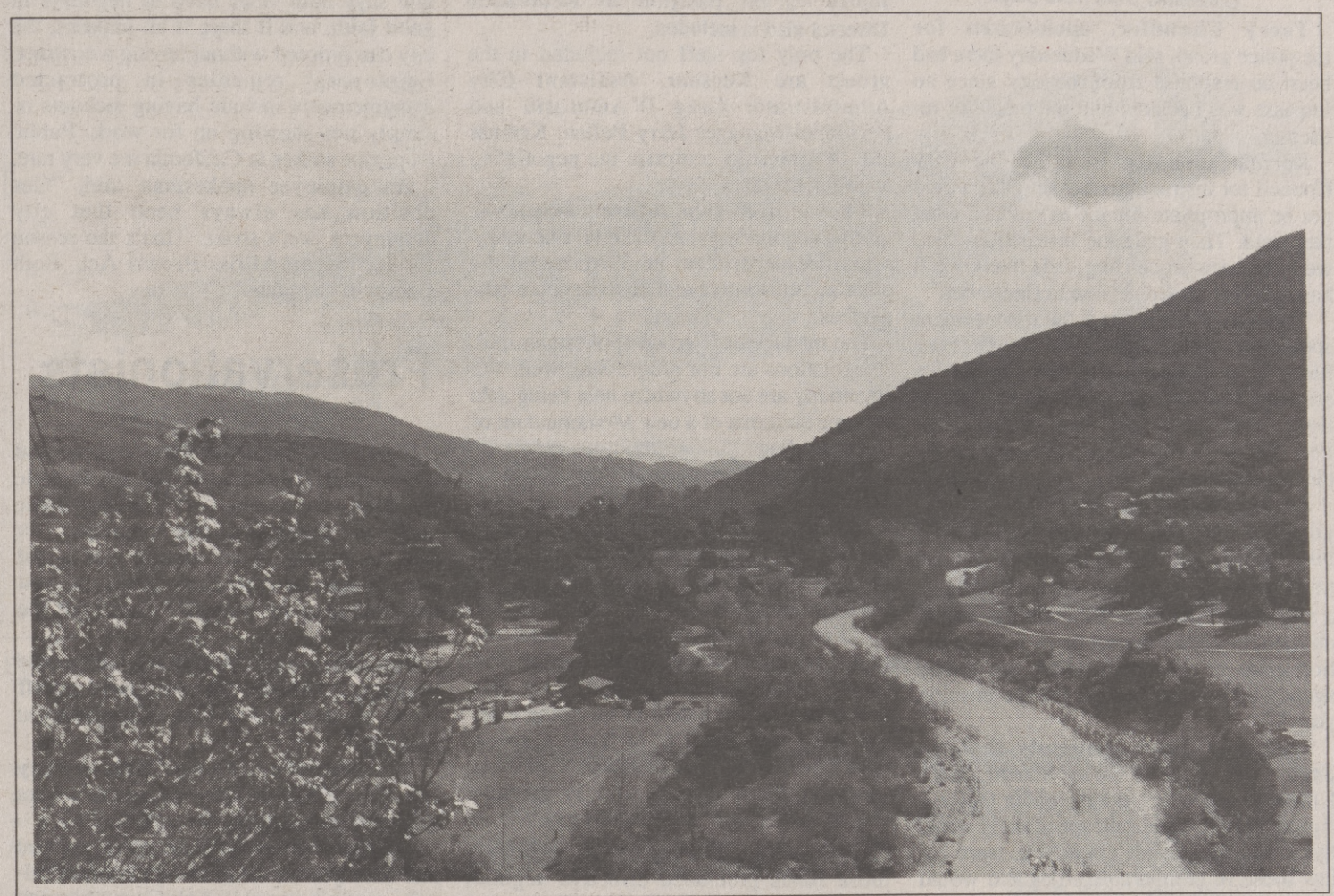
She did suggest that Karas may have been surprised by the work load in his new district, having basically represented incorporated city areas before where residents had other officials they could contact for help with their concerns.

For their parts, Farina and Heuer were the only members of the water management district board who opposed the switch from at-large to voting district elections, arguing that people in the northern part of the district didn't have the same interests as those from the Carmel-Carmel Valley area.

Bill Gianelli of Pebble Beach, a former state water official who was instrumental in creating the MPWMD, agreed with them. He called the directors' decision to change to neighborhood voting districts "a giant step backwards."

But Heuer said that with complaints having been filed with the state about overpumping and environmental damage, he is hopeful that the State Water Resources Control Board will impose conditions that will protect the river regardless of what the board does in the future.

One thing that got Karas off on the wrong foot with some constituents is that he initially said he wanted to serve on the Fort Ord Reuse Group rather than the MPWMD board. He agreed to serve on both after Farina pointed out that legislation creating the MPWMD required that the supervisor serving on its board must live within the district.



WITH CARMEL VALLEY losing its once considerable political clout, residents worry that the major impact could be on the Carmel River. It is shown sparkling in the sun in this Sun file photo. Changes in Congress, the state Assembly, the Board of Supervisors and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District have combined this year to reduce not only the Valley's political influence, but also that of the whole peninsula. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

FORMER REP. LEON PANETTA, shown here with former Carmel Mayor Jean Grace in a file photo, provided both influence and leadership when he served in Congress, political insiders say. He still wields great influence as budget director, but is not as focused on local issues, and no local politician has stepped into the leadership vacuum left by Panetta's move, according to area politicians.

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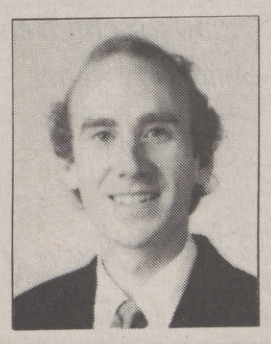

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Top City Employees Want Labor Mediator

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Terry Chandler, spokesman for the police group, said Wednesday there had been no response from the city since an impasse was declared and the mediator requested.

Kersnar took the issue to the City Council for instructions but said, "It would not be appropriate for me to tell you what they said. They gave me instructions, and we have been proceeding. It is likely we'll have another closed session in December."

"The city's not broke," the management spokesman said, "The city has certain priorities. We're not squeezing the city but we are requesting at least to continue negotiations. None of us like being in this situation. We don't like putting pressure on the elected officials."

An association spokesperson said the group believes the $7 million 1993-94 city budget was passed in violation of the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act which states that a city must "endeavor to reach agreement on matters within the scope of representation prior to the adoption by the public agency of its final budget for the ensuing year."

The group also contends that the city is in violation of the agreement, called a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), signed in 1992 because it specifically stated that Carmel city staff employees were below those of comparable cities and would be adjusted as soon as the money became available, a spokesman said.

The management group is comprised of Police Chief Jack McGilvray and Assistant Chief Don Fuselier, Fire Chief Bill Hill and Assistant Chief John Willett, Public Works Director Jim Cullem, Forest and Beach Director Gary Kelly, Library Director Margaret Pelikan, City Clerk Jeanne Brehmer, Planning Director Brian Roseth, Building Official Tim Merony and Sunset Center Director Brian Donoghue. The currently vacant position of Recreation Director also is included.

The only top staff not included in the group are Kersnar, Assistant City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio and Personnel Manager Jerry Pullen. Kersnar and D'Ambrosio comprise the negotiating team for the city.

There are two other employee groups negotiating with the city: one represents fire department employees and the other administrative and miscellaneous employees.

The management group spokesman said, "Negotations are not progressing well. We essentially are not anywhere near being able to agree on terms of a new Memorandum of Understanding.

"One of the major reasons we are where we are, in our opinion, is that funds were proposed and $140,000 to be set aside in the 1993-94 budget proposal that got interpreted during the initial budget hearing as a pay raise being requested by employees.

"For political reasons, it was removed when the budget was accepted. But the city employee groups had never discussed pay raises, health or anything else. Jere used that number to have a space holder in the budget so there would be something there to work with. In all fairness to where the city negotiators are at this time, that early decision to eliminate those funds precluded effective negotiations."

There is no deadline for a new wage contract. If no agreement is reached, the existing Memorandum of Understanding stays in force. Employees point out, however, that, "It says the staff is all underpaid by the standards of comparative cities."

California law makes it illegal for government employees to strike but if they do there is no penalty, according to one legal expert who did not want to be quoted. He said it was "an unsettled area." The state law says both sides have to negotiate in good faith, and if there is an impasse, the city can proceed without having a contract. Employees' remedies in protracted disagreements include having sickouts or simply not showing up for work. Public employee strikes in California are very rare.

An employee spokesman said, "Our position has always been that city employees don't strike. That's the reason for the Myers-Milias-Brown Act. Both sides will negotiate."

Preservationists

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Roseth said municipal improvements and public and private funding of any historic building were among the things that came under the purview of the committee. He said he suspected the charge was broad enough that the committee could transmit its feelings to the council "if you felt the need."

But Kibby said, "I feel uncomfortable initiating it. Maybe we could have a staff report on the status of what is happening at Flanders."

"It behooves us to watch very carefully at Flanders because there's a lot going around designated procedures."

The Flanders decorator showcase proposal had been put on the council's consent calendar until it was pulled by Councilwoman Barbara Brooks.

"I'm about to submit a report," Sales said. "It almost got right out of our hands."

"If you're going to be upgrading a National Register building, we could at least offer our services," Kibby said.

Community Church Sets Harvest Fair On Friday, Saturday

The Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula will hold its 28th annual harvest fair from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday, featuring sale of handcrafted items for holiday decorations and gifts.

Baked goods, jams, jellies, jewelry and collectibles will be available as will a garden shop and an art gallery. The gallery will feature signed original photographs by Miller Outcalt.

Proceeds will benefit area charities. The church is located on Carmel Valley Road a mile east of Highway 1. Hot German donuts and coffee will be available both days.

Carmel Point Home Wins Okay Despite Fears for Herons

The Monterey County Planning Commission voted 4-3 to approve a two-story, 2,821 square-foot single family home on Carmel Point despite environmentalists' concerns about Black-crowned night herons which nest in eucalyptus trees on the lot.

Ray Parks, the Carmel architect who designed the home, said he initially submitted plans for it two years ago. He expressed satisfaction with the commission action on the long-controversial permit.

Voting against the proposal were Commissioners Jo Stallard, Jerry Foote and Lynn Riddle.

The Planning Commission had asked the applicant to check with the Big Sur Land Trust, Monterey Regional Park District and the Audubon Society about whether any of them would like to buy the property. Each agency sent a letter saying it was not interested in purchasing the property owned by the Bartlett Trust which fronts on Stewart and Ocean View Avenue.

Nine neighbors wrote letters in support of the project while four opposed it.

The county planning staff recommended approval of the permit as did the Carmel Advisory Committee. One member of the Carmel Advisory Committee, Ray Cook, suggested all the cypress trees should remain in the project, but the eucalyptus should be removed since the State Park's Department labels them non-native and undesirable.

The project calls for 300 cubic yards of grading and removal of 37 eucalyptus trees and four cypress trees.

Vernal Yadon, a biologist hired to study the herons, said the bird is on the California Department of Fish and Game's special list, but it is not on the state or federal list of endangered species.

Yadon said on May 29, 1992, the lot had 13 nests and 14 adult herons. Initially, it was thought the lot was the only nesting place for the herons in Monterey County. But in August, Yadon confirmed a nest with one half-grown chick at Point Lobos State Reserve.

In 1993, Yadon said the birds built eight nests in seven trees on the Bartlett lot.

"When did these birds become our responsibility?" Parks asked, noting that the property had been under the same ownership for 30 years and when it was purchased, the trees were small and the herons did not nest there.

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Bernardus Winery Will Occupy Former Bank Building by Jan. 15

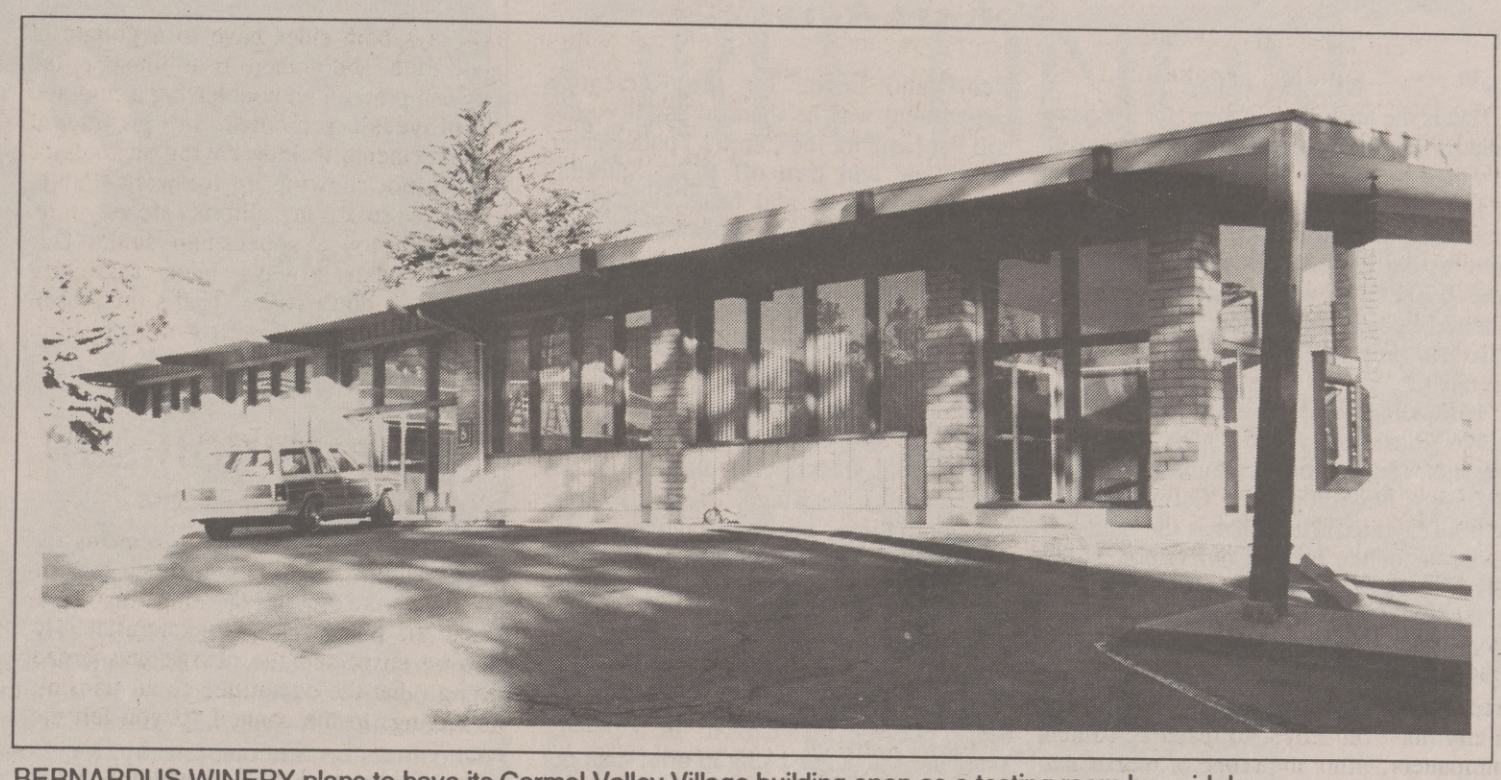
Jim Clark, president of Bernardus Winery, said it plans to have interior remodeling of the former Bank of America building in Carmel Valley Village completed by Jan. 15 so the company can move its offices there and open a new tasting room.

Referring to the movie "Field of Dreams," Clark said of the tasting room, "If we build it, we hope they (potential customers) will come. But it will be a number of years before it will be a hot tourist attraction."

Speaking to the Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee (CVVIC) Friday, Clark added the tasting room "won't support the investment we're making for a long time."

CVVIC member Lou Allaire drew laughter when he suggested that local people would be happy to visit the tasting room often "to give the illusion of traffic."

Clark said trellises will be constructed on the west and south side of the building to soften it, but they would not be completed by Jan. 15. He also disclosed that lattice work will be applied to the large east wall of the building and vines planted to grow up them in an effort to soften its appearance.



BERNARDUS WINERY plans to have its Carmel Valley Village building open as a tasting room by mid-January.

Clark said Bernardus, owned by former Dutch race car driver Ben Pon, expects to produce about 45,000 cases of wine a year. "We're nowhere near a big winery," he said.

Bernardus grows about 45 acres in grapes on land in Cachagua purchased from Robert Talbott and Tom Nason and nearly all the vines are red wine vines, he said. In addition, Bernardus makes white wines with grapes purchased from the Salinas Valley.

Clark opened his talk by saying he already knew the question everyone wanted answered: When are the "awful lights" over the Automatic Teller Machine (ATM) still in the bank building coming down?

He said the lights were installed by a contractor working for Bank of America to comply with a new state law aimed at reducing crime around ATMs. In addition to the bright lights, which have drawn a lot of complaints from residents, Clark said the landscaping in front of the building also had to be cut down to the ground to "keep banditos from lurking in it."

He said as long as the community wants to maintain the ATM, "it appears we will have to have ugly lights." But he added that Bernardus would attempt to ease the glare onto Carmel Valley Road as much as it can.

Bob Jacoubowsky, a Monterey architect working on the remodeling plans, said it might be possible to meet the state lighting requirements by putting lights on the new trellis that are directed back toward the bank building rather than toward the road.

"The level of the lighting still would be high, but it would be directed down," he said.

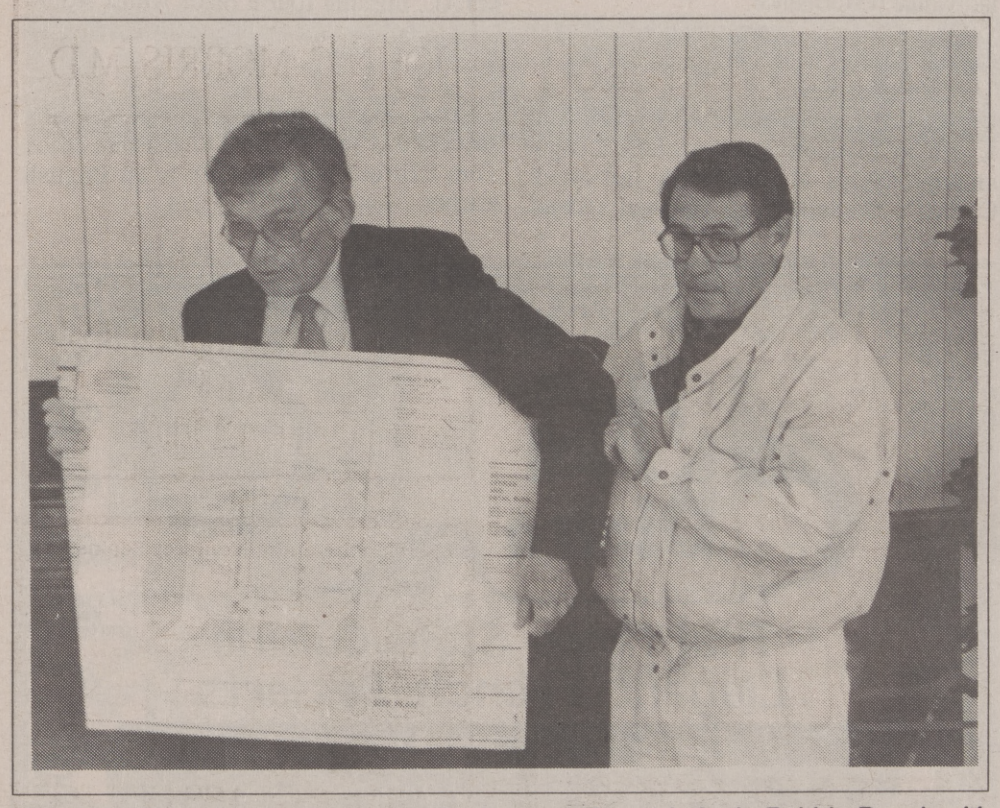
Clark said the lease on the ATM will be up in a few months. "When the community decides it no longer wants the ATM is when the lights can come down," he said.

The ATM was left in operation when Bank of America closed the Village branch to provide some financial services to residents.

Clark and Jacoubowsky said new landscaping would also be planted around the building, and they agreed to consider rebuilding the pathway in front of the building so that it is not too steep for people in wheelchairs to use.

The holding company which owns Bernardus, Bay Laurel Co., purchased the former bank building earlier this year from Roy Woods. Woods purchased it from the bank, and for a time allowed the Carmel Valley History Society to use it rent free.

The society wanted to purchase it and turn it into a museum and offices, but was not able to raise the $1 million it estimated it would take to buy the building and renovate it.



BILL GIANELLI shades his eyes as he looks at Forest Lake in Pebble Beach with Richard Andrews, executive director of the Pebble Beach Community Services Distrift. Hidden behind him is consulting engineer Curtis Weeks. The men are part of a group working to see if the lake can be used to store reclaimed wastewater in the winter months so that a new reclamation project can be operated year-around.

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Hoopshoot and Hotshot Basketball—News Flash! Boys and girls and your parents, mark your calendars for this Saturday, Nov. 20, at the Carmel Middle School Gymnasium. That is the date and location for the Local Competition in the Elks "Hoopshoot" Basketball Competition and the Local Competition of the "HotShot" Competition. **Hoopshoot** is open to boys and girls aged 8 to 13. It is a free throw contest and there are separate divisions for boys and girls. Each competitor, after a period of warm up, shoots a total of 25 free throws (first 10 and then 15). The winner in each of the age categories will go to the next level of competition. This activity is FREE. **Hotshot** is open to boys and girls ages 9 to 18. This competition tests the speed, shooting, dribbling and rebounding ability of the participant within a one minute time period. "Hotspots" are marked on a half basketball court, with point values assigned to each of the "hotspots." The winner in each of the divisions moves on to the next level of competition. This activity is also FREE. Registration for BOTH contests is at 10:30 a.m. sharp. **Placement in age divisions is based on your age as of April 1, 1994.**

Geoff and Leslie for the Recreation Department will be there to assist you as will Pat Lenz for the Carmel Youth Center. So get up and turn off those Saturday morning cartoons and head over to the Carmel Middle School. **Parents!** You are invited to attend and help us score. Thanks.

Bingo Birthday Party! Once again, you missed a great night of Bingo and some great homemade birthday cake. That's right, we had a bingo birthday party. Chief Clyde Klaumann was 82 years young. And boy did he look dapper in his camel sports coat tie and slacks. No, that is not the required attire for Bingo. His family took him out to dinner prior to Bingo and made him get all duded up. Don't forget, you can join in the fun every Wednesday evening beginning at 6:45 p.m., in J.O.'s Lumberyard Room at Vista Lobos. Se you there.

Clown College is just around the corner. Music please..."Be a Clown. Be a clown." Trust me, it's better I sing in print than out loud, at least that's what my family tells me. Anyway, the Carmel Recreation Department is once again offering it's very popular Holiday Clown Camp for 6 to 9 year olds (some age allowance made for children who are close in age or who are Clubhouse members). The dates are Dec. 20, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29, 30, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Dec. 31, from 9 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Each camper will participate in a variety of fun-filled activities including games, arts n' crafts, clown workshop, field tips and visits from special guests. Best of all the fee originally set for this camp has been reduced. It is now $160 per camper for the entire period of time. There is also a daily drop-in rate of $20 per person. In order for this camp to go, we need 20 pre-registered, fulltime campers. Watch for the fliers that will be coming home through the schools.

Finally, let's talk about something that disturbs all law abiding citizens and shopkeepers—shoplifting. The other day, I had to go down to Bruno's Market for some water for the Clubhouse. While inside, I saw a teenage boy tuck a bottle of Mystic Soda into his pants and walk out the store without paying. I confronted the young man, who must have had "rabbit" in his blood, because he could sure run. I gave chase with Paul Laub right behind me. The young man threw the soda bottle back at us and outdistanced us. (Paul and I determined it must have had something to do with our age.) Anyway, he got away, but if he reads this column he should remember that Paul and I along with the cashier from Bruno's know what he looks like and we'll be watching for him. And remember everyone, our merchants need our help in controlling shoplifting. So if you see something being taken, tell the shopkeeper and call the police. This will help control the costs of stolen items being passed onto us. Get Involved!!!

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Carmel Harriers in CCS Competition

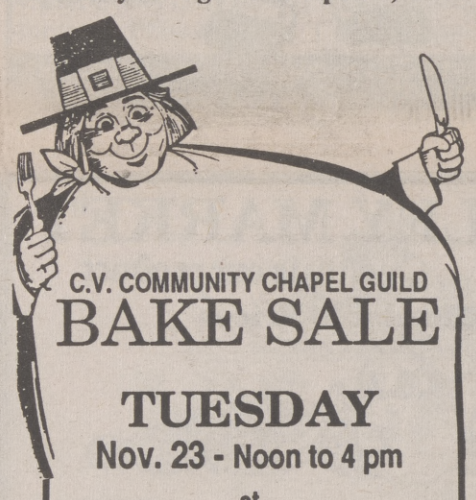
The Carmel High School girls' cross country team qualified for Central Coast Sectional competition, and Bart Rowley made it from the boys' squad with an individual performance.

The CCS finals were run Wednesday at Crystal Springs near San Mateo too late for The Sun's deadline.

The Padre girls qualified by finishing fourth in Mission Trail Athletic League championships at Toro Park last week. Carmel's Danielle Wall finished second, and Denise Cardamone was twelfth.

Rowley got to go to the CCS with a fourth place finish in the MTAL. The boys' team finished fifth overall in the MTAL, missing fourth place which would have qualified the entire team by just 13 points.

Coach John Ables said some of Carmel's success this year was due to assistant coach Tom Clifford's efforts. He is an English teacher.



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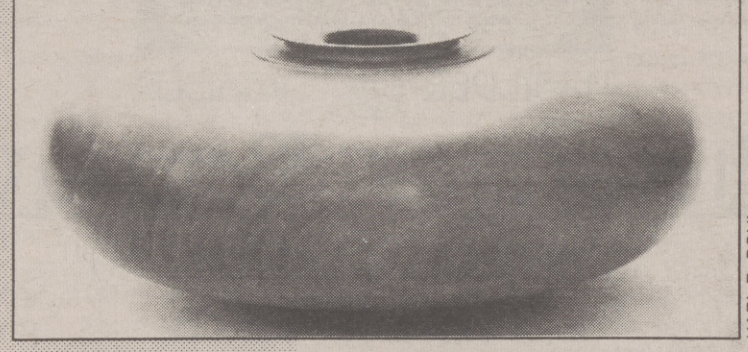

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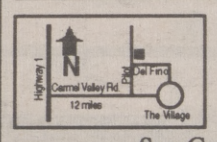

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Rewritten Drug-Alcohol Policy Wins Approval

By Carolyn Rice

The Carmel Unified School District adopted a rewritten policy emphasizing intervention and instruction rather than punishment for students who use drugs or alcohol.

"I'm extremely pleased with the form this takes tonight," said board member Pat Herro after the board adopted the policy 5-0 Nov. 10.

She opposed the original policy, questioning how the school could enforce a proposal that would have had any student involved in school activities pledge not to use alcohol or drugs at any time or place. She also expressed concerns about how students' civil rights could be protected under the policy.

Although the board rejected the idea of a non-use pledge, applicable any time or any where, Carmel High School officials indicated they would keep a non-use pledge which has been in effect for a number of years for student athletes.

The initial draft policy which contained the pledge drew a storm of protests from both students and parents alike. On Oct. 6 more than 100 people attended a forum at the high school, most protesting the pledge section on the grounds the school shouldn't try to police students 24 hours a day. Students collected more than 400 signatures opposing the pledge concept.

The policy which was approved continues to have a strict code of discipline concerning student use or sale of drugs or alcohol in schools or at any school activity. The code calls for notification of parents and law officers and resulting suspension or expulsion, depending on the nature of the violation.

At a meeting this week, administrators will continue to look at a contract or pledge which still is used with athlete taking part in high school sports. The meeting also will consider whether to extend it to other school activities, according to Carmel High Principal Marie Ishida.

She said she agreed with the policy which the board adopted but felt students still could be asked to sign a non-use pledge which would not be at odds with the policy. She said individual schools can have rules which are not part of the board policy as long as they do not conflict with the policy.

"I don't know if it will extend to activities beyond athletics. That still has to be determined," she said.

The high school will continue to operate under its old contract for athletes, she said. Students who drink or use drugs are dropped immediately from the team under this contract, she said.

Superintendent Vance Baldwin said he thought the policy adopted by the board was a good improvement over the initial policy drafts. "It's clearer and has more emphasis on intervention and instruction," he said.

But asked if the district would continue to look at the drug policy, Baldwin said. "We've got to keep that one out there."

The initial policy said if a student admitted using drugs or alcohol, there would be no restriction from sports or activities on the first offense. But on a second violation, a 90-day loss of eligibility would result.

Parents called the policy punitive and unconstitutional. "Maybe in the initial effort, you bit off more than you could chew," Herro said.

Marvin Biasotti, a school psychologist who helped write the policy, said school administrators now feel good about it. If high school officials feel they need something additional, a committee with broad representation of parents, students and faculty will be formed to make recommendations on what would work, he said.

The present policy states, "Students who disclose past or present use of alcohol or other drugs when seeking help from an intervention or recovery program shall not be punished or disciplined for such past or present use."

On its face, that policy would seem to conflict with the athletic code which said violators of the pledge would be dropped immediately from their team.

Another change in the policy adopted by the board concerned the searching of students. If a student is suspected of selling or providing alcohol or drugs, the principal will summon law enforcement officers to confront or search the student whenever possible, the policy now states. The section was added at the suggestion of board member Gary Gray, an attorney.

School officials still have the authority to make searches for drugs based upon "a reasonable suspicion that the search will uncover evidence that the student is violating the law or the rules of the school."

For students who have drug or alcohol problems, the school's prevention specialist will do an alcohol/drug assessment and make recommendations for treatment, Biasotti said. If the recommendations are unaffordable for the family, the district will seek other types of assistance, he said.

County Libraries Will Close

All Monterey County Free Libraries branches, programs and offices will close during the Three-day Thanksgiving holiday weekend, it was announced. There also will be no bookmobile service during the period from Thursday through Saturday.

Youth Charged In Carmel Motel Robbery, Shooting

The Carmel Police Department said charges of robbery and attempted murder were filed Tuesday by the district attorney against a 16 year-old from Seaside in the attack on a desk clerk at the Hofsas House Nov. 7.

The 44-year-old clerk was robbed at gunpoint of $200 and then was grazed on the forehead by a bullet as the gunman fired several times as he fled the scene.

Det. Pete Poitras said the 16-year-old was one of three young men arrested in connection with a robbery at Stark Shell in Seaside on Friday. The trio tried to escape police by driving down the coast on Highway 1 but were apprehended south of Carmel.

A substantial amount of evidence links the youth to the Carmel robbery, Poitras said.

He said in January of 1993, the same individual had been arrested in Carmel when he attempted to use stolen credit cards. At that time, he had rented a room at the Hofsas House and messed it up, Poitras said. A 25-caliber gun was taken from the youth during that incident.

A 22-caliber handgun was used in the Hofsas robbery, Poitras said.

The young man had been a suspect because of the January incident. "We knew he was familiar with the motel," Poitras said.

In another incident, Leigh Roth, 42, of Berkeley was arrested following a shoplifting incident at Amourette Clothing on Dolores south of Ocean.

An employee noticed a customer had left and a silk nightgown and robe worth $936 was missing. The employee was able to describe the customer and police apprehended her and recovered the property, Poitras said.

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Early Season Storm May Herald another Wet Winter

An early-season storm that grew in intensity as it approached the peninsula dropped 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 inches of rain, downed trees with its powerful wind gusts and may have been a precursor to another wet winter, according to one expert.

Dr. Robert Renard, retired head of the meteorology department at the Navy Post-Graduate School, said evidence indicated an El Nino dating back to 1991-1992 was either continuing or resurging. If it grows stronger, he said there was a strong statistical probability that the area could again experience above normal temperatures and rainfall this winter.

He expressed surprise that the presence of El Nino was not reflected more strongly in the present 30- and 90-day outlooks for the region. They now call for above average temperatures and near to slightly above average rainfall.

"I'm pretty sure (El Nino) will continue this winter," Renard said. "If it is a strong one, statistically, we should get above average precipitation. If it is a weak one, we could get below normal rainfall."

In Carmel Valley Village, weather observer Graham Matthews said he recorded .76 of an inch on Nov. 11 and .75 on Nov. 12. That brought the total for the rain year that began July 1 to 1.82 inches. Average rainfall by this time of the rain year is 3.07 in Carmel Valley, Matthews said, while only .56 had been recorded by this time last year.

Renard, who is the official weather observer in Monterey, said he measured a total of 1.53 inches during precipitation on Nov. 10, 11 and 12. For the rain year to date, he has measured 1.77 inches, compared to average for the date of 2.48 and .85 last year.

Renard said another disturbance is bearing down on the area and should arrive from the Gulf of Alaska late Wednesday or Thursday. He said it could trigger showers in Monterey and to the south, but would not be very strong unless it intensified like last week's storm.

Forecasters were surprised by the intensity of that storm, Renard said, underestimating the rainfall it would dump on the region. "It didn't look like much at first, but as it got closer and closer, it just grew stronger and stronger."

He said the Santa Lucia Mountains, including the watershed for the Carmel River, received 2 inches or less from the storm. He said the largest amounts were recorded on the South Coast, from Point Lobos southward where as much as 2 1/2 inches were recorded.

The storm sent huge swells pounding against the Central Coast, and winds gusting to 40 miles an hour and above topped the swells with spectacular whitecaps. Renard said the strong gusts extended from north of San Francisco to the Grapevine area in Southern California and included the central valleys. "They were from the northerly directions."

Some trees went down along the South Coast, although the region mainly escaped the serious power outages that struck in the Santa Cruz Mountains and some East Bay neighborhoods.

STRONG WINDS WHIPPED UP the surf crashing onto Carmel Beach Sunday after a heavy rainstorm.
Sun photo by Isabelle Hall

Opera's Dangerous Women to be Presented In Hidden Valley Concert

Featuring such notorious troublemakers as Carmen, Dalilah, Lady MacBeth and Princess Eboli, Hidden Valley will present "An Evening with Opera's Dangerous Women" Saturday at 8 p.m.

Mezzo-soprano Rebecca Ravenshaw will sing selections from operas by Bizet, Verdi, Saint-Saens, Menotti and Wagner, and her husband, Henry Holt, former conductor of the Seattle Opera, will narrate the concert.

Tickets are $10 and will be available at the door and reservations may be made by telephoning 659-3115. Hidden Valley is in the Middle of Carmel Valley Village at Ford Road.

Council Changes Meeting Time Today

The Carmel City Council changed the time of its special meeting today from 3:30 p.m. to 2 p.m.

On the agenda is a staff request for policy guidance on a parking management plan for the city, confirmation of Dec. 3 for the annual holiday tree lighting ceremony and a closed session on personnel matters.

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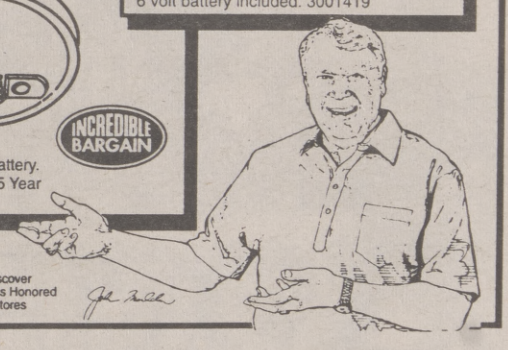

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Valley Couple Found Utopia in Boronda Adobe

Photostory by Carolyn Rice

Malcolm and Joanne Millard have found a little bit of heaven at their Boronda Adobe home—thought to be the oldest building in Carmel Valley.

"This is utopia. I mean it really is," said Joanne Millard as she and her husband of a year sat on a narrow, brick front verandah, admiring the peaceful, three-acre preserve surrounded by the blue-tinted Santa Lucia mountains.

Near dusk on a recent warm evening, the Millards watched quail scurry through the native plants looking for their evening meal and woodpeckers flit around a 100-foot tall eucalyptus tree in their front yard. They told how they sometimes see a fox strolling through the front yard or a deer with a half-grown fawn and how they're amused by the lizards which scurry about their courtyard.

Speaking of her husband's long involvement with the home located off Carmel Valley Road on Boronda Road, she said, "Malcolm is a caretaker. He truly is. Be it people or things, he cares for them. He cherishes them."

JOSÉ MANUEL BORONDA

It is generally believed the original adobe was built in 1832, but there is some indication that one room—now used as the dining room—may date to the 1790s. At that time, the land was probably used as rancheria where livestock was raised for the Carmel Mission. If some of it does date as far back as the 1790s, it probably was a one-room, thatched-roofed building provided for an Indian family charged with the care of mission livestock at the ranch.

Millard, a Carmel attorney who still practices at age 79 and has collected a thick file on the history of the adobe, said it also was used as a stopover for priests traveling through the Valley. A historian at the Mission verified from church records that a priest had used it as a rest stop in 1834, he said.

Millard calls the adobe "a happy home."

"The place is kind of blessed. So many things have turned out so well." He has busied himself with many projects since he bought the home in 1960, including taking a sledge hammer to the bricked-in chimney to enlarge the opening at the top. The former owner had bricked it in except for a small opening, evidently to keep cold drafts from coming into the house, and as a result, smoke poured into the living room when a fire was lit.

Millard also designed and built the tiered, six-foot-tall fountain which stands at the center of the casual, old California style front yard. Originally from Highland Park, Ill., Millard first came to the peninsula in 1932 to work on a family cabin in Big Sur. In 1948 he moved to the area permanently.

Millard bought the historic adobe from George W. Sims who purchased it in 1947. The ranch was originally a Mexican land grant property called Rancho Los Laureles. When Sims found the old adobe, the building was in great disrepair. The roof had gaping holes where the sun shone through onto dirt floors. The cattle which used it for shelter had rubbed round the edges of the doorways in the 26-inch-thick adobe walls.

Sims, who died in 1986, was a certified public accountant and attorney in Fresno. He lived in Carmel Valley from 1947 to 1971, spending much of his time restoring the adobe.

He put in a random width, two-inch-thick heart of redwood floor laid with hand-made pegs. Millard said the floor could not be replaced today.

Sims also built a narrow staircase to replace a ladder in the center of the living room which gave access to the second story. Sims' restoration plans were worked out with Hugh Comstock, an architect well-known for his Carmel homes.

"He tried to give it to the state of California as a historic adobe," Millard said. But the state thought it was too distant from populated areas and would be too expensive to operate, so did not accept it.

"George Sims loved this place, and he wanted it to be preserved," Millard recalled.

Millard's love of the historic adobe also is obvious as he points out its features and talks of the satisfaction he has had maintaining the old atmosphere of the adobe even as he expanded and updated it.

His most extensive project was to add another wing which expands the living space of the home to 6,000 square feet. But the wing has been added in such a unobtrusive manner, it is not immediately obvious to guests who approach through the front gate.

Millard built a hallway on the north end of the adobe which connects it with the new wing and creates an open courtyard in between.

The two-story, new wing which houses an office, living room and master bedroom was modeled after the old adobe. The walls look like the thick adobe walls but are actually double wood construction. The hollow space in between the walls works well for cabinets and housing utilities, Millard said.

"The basic idea was to emulate the old house," he said.

CATTLE RUBBED a rounded opening in a door which can still be seen today in the dining room.

On Sept. 19, 1839, José Manuel Boronda and his son, Juan de Mata Boronda, and Vicente Blas Martinez became the joint owners of the Rancho Los Laureles, a 6,625 acre Mexican land grant ranch. José Boronda's father was the son of the highly educated Don Manuel Boronda, first schoolteacher in California.

The property ran to the Los Tularcitos Rancho, near today's Carmel Valley Village and to the James Meadows tract on the west. The north/south boundaries ran from the hills of today's Los Laureles Grade to the mountains known then as the Sierra de San Franciscquito—today part of Garland Park.

José and his wife, Juana, moved to the property where they raised 15 children. It was a popular place with many early Californians of Spanish descent and was the birth-place of many children from various Spanish families.

José Manuel Boronda had been handicapped early in their married life as the result of an accident at a bull and bear fight. The fights were a great attraction in early California. The animals were tormented by horseback riders who exhibited great horsemanship skills in avoiding claws and horns.

Boronda was at such an event at a rancho south of Monterey. He and a friend were fighting an enraged bull when his friend's maneuver failed. He would have been gored to death had not Boronda spurred his mount to distract the bull's charge. But Boronda was caught by a horn and his leg was badly torn and possibly broken.

Taken back to his ranch, it became apparent his leg would need to be amputated to save his life. Strapped down to the kitchen table, his leg was cut off, and red hot irons were applied to seal off the bleeding.

After his injury, his wife was credited with helping to feed and clothe the large family by making Caso del Pais cheese—now known as Monterey Jack. Caso del Pais literally means cheese of the country.

In fact Millard said he believes the Boronda Adobe was the first location in the county where the cheese was made. Other Monterey County families have also been credited with the creation of the cheese, including the Jack's family of Monterey, who were responsible for marketing it.

Some say the name of the cheese comes from the term "jack" which referred to the press in which the cheese was formed.

Another explanation for the name of the cheese was that it came from a man named Jack who lived in Jamesburg and trans-

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AN INFORMAL, SPANISH-STYLE courtyard graces the front of the adobe. At rear and to the right is the ramada built atop the old foundation of a cheese factory. At right, Morley Baer, a Carmel Valley photographer, took this interior picture of the adobe's main living room in 1948.

History Abounds in House Believed to be Valley's Oldest

THE BORONDA ADOBE has a new wing on the right modeled after the original wing at left. The two wings and a long hallway which ties them together enclose a courtyard in the center of the home. *Sun photos by Carolyn Rice*

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ported it from the Boronda adobe to Monterey to sell to the merchants there.

Del Monte Properties bought the adobe in 1919. The company built a small factory at the adobe and produced cheese which they served to guests the Del Monte Hotel.

Millard bricked over the foundation of the cheese factory which is just north of the adobe and now uses it as a ramada. Covering the floor with 3,000 bricks was another of his personal endeavors.

At the time the Borondas occupied the adobe, historians say the Carmel River was much wider than it is today and was quite near the home.

The adobe has been painted by a number of artists. One story about one of the artists, Salvador Dali, has it that he became extremely frightened while on the property. He came to paint at the adobe during the early '40s after it had been vacated and cattle were roaming in and out its doors. While camping there he was awakened in fear after hearing a blood-curdling scream. Later he came upon the Onesemo brothers, Indians who lived in the Valley, and he told them what he had heard.

After crossing themselves, they told him of the legend that José Boronda comes back to look for his leg, and after not finding it, screams in anger at those who buried it and left no monument. There are reports that other owners of the home have heard similar screams, but identified them as the screams of mountain lions.

Harry Downie who was in charge of the restoration of the Carmel Mission Basilica was interested in the old Boronda Adobe and talked of restoring it himself but never became involved with it.

According to a story in Game and Gossip, a newspaper once printed in Carmel, Downie said there were no window frames in the adobe, indicating it was built before the "Boston" carpenters arrived in the peninsula. He believed it was a mission house which provided quarters for mission workers or Spanish soldiers who oversaw the land owned by the Mission in Carmel Valley.

The Borondas were the first permanent rancheros to live in Carmel Valley, and their adobe home remained in the family until they sold it to Elihu Avery on May 23, 1896.

Historian Elizabeth Barratt of Carmel Valley was hired by Millard to research the ownership of the adobe. "I spent three weeks looking at faded, old handwritten documents in the Monterey County courthouse," she said.

Barratt said she learned that in 1851, Martinez and his wife, Maria Josefa Mesquita, sold their interest to Boronda for "eight horses, one mare, four tame milch cows and two tame milch cows with calves."

In 1853, three years after California became a state, many land grant holders were forced to prove their claims. Boronda and his oldest son, Juan de Mata Boronda, applied to the federal government for a patent on the property which was finally granted in an order signed by President Andrew Johnson in 1866, Barratt's research found.

The Pacific Improvement Co. bought it in 1882, selling it to Samuel F. B. Morse and Del Monte Properties in 1919. Pacific Improvement Company was the financial representative of the West Coast financial big four—Crocker, Stanford, Huntington and Hopkins.

Del Monte Hotel used the property for country day trips for guests.

When Sims restored the adobe he plastered the outside walls to preserve the soft adobe bricks. He also put cables across the sitting room, located on the north part of the home, to help support the walls. Sims obtained some 100 year old adobe tiles from the old Vasquez adobe in Monterey to use on the roof.

Millard said the upstairs floor has a two foot slope, and the slant is quite obvious when walking between the two bedrooms and center sitting room. Millard added a dormer window in the center sitting room which did not have a single window when he bought the home.

The Millards have opened their home to painters and nonprofit groups who have held functions there. "We enjoy sharing it with others," Millard said.

"It's the kind of place you can do anything or nothing," said his wife, who works for Mitchell Silliman Co., a commercial warehouse firm in Salinas, pointing out the many benches and chairs around the courtyard and on other patios for those who want to relax.

MALCOM MILLARD MEASURES the deep-set adobe windows in the dining room which is the oldest part of the home and may date to the 1790s.

MILK COWS WANDERED near the Boronda Adobe in a 1930s photo from the Pat Hathaway Collection. The historic home was in a state of disrepair during the '30s and '40s and was used as a barn.

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Juvenile Steelhead Return

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year, compared to 14 in 1992 and just 1 in 1991.

The reduced number of adults reflects the four years during the drought when the river never ran to the sea, denying adult fish a way to get either out of the river or back into it. Fuerst said a normal run of adult fish would be around 2,000.

"But with the juveniles we're seeing now, we'll have more adults in the future," he said.

Fuerst, giving the steelhead report in place of biologist Dave Dettman, who was working on a project, attributed the fast comeback of the steelhead to:

- Efforts by the Carmel River Steelhead Association to raise and plant fish.
- Rescue activities, including those by the water management district, to save fish when the river dries up.
- "The natural resiliency of the Carmel River steelhead run."

Fuerst said additional measures were being considered to help protect fish coming down the Los Padres spillway, including a proposal to cut a channel in it to provide deeper water for the fish to ride down.

He also said that Fish & Game was doing a "creel" study of the fish being taken out of the Los Padres Reservoir. "We have no problem with fishermen taking the brown trout there," he said.

However, he said fishermen also were taking many smolt—young steelhead undergoing physical changes for their trip into the ocean.

He said the final determination on any changes in fishing regulations behind Los Padres Dam would be made by the State Fish & Game Commission.

He said it voted to ban fishing below the dam two years ago after directors of the water management district passed a resolution urging the action.

Fishing is also banned in San Clemente Reservoir. It is private property, belonging to Cal-Am Water Co.

Fuerst said the district has been working cooperatively with Keith Anderson of the Monterey office of Fish & Game and suggested he might make a presentation to the board onLos Padres fishing at a future meeting of the board.

Red Cross Instruction Available in Carmel

The Carmel-by-the-Sea Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer a Red Cross Instructor Course at the Chapter House at Dolores and Eighth Avenue in Carmel starting Dec. 6.

The course will prepare instructor candidates to teach Standard First Aid which includes cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Cost of the course is $35 which includes books and materials.

Interested persons can register Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until Nov. 30. Call Diane Martin at 624-6921 for information.

Women's Club Meets Dec. 1

The Carmel Valley Women's Club will hold its Christmas luncheon Dec. 1 at the Ridge Restaurant at Robles del Rio Lodge in Carmel Valley. Marge Bennett at the piano and Laura Cohan on flute will present a musical program. Call 659-5329 for information.

Doris Day Presents Checks

Doris Day presented checks for $15,000 each to four local organizations Wednesday at a reception at the Cypress Inn in Carmel.

The donations went to the Boys and Girls Club of Monterey, Peninsula Outreach, Family and Children's Services and the Doris Day Pet Foundation.

The money represents the proceeds of the first Doris Day's Best Friends fundraiser held Oct. 9 at Quail Lodge in Carmel Valley. Hundreds of local residents and celebrities including former Carmel Mayor Clint Eastwood attended.

Setting It Straight

A Nov. 11 Sun article about the City Council selection of a new planning commissioner described Barbara Smoak as a traveling nurse. She said she works for a Nurse Registry and takes assignments out of the local area on a 12-hour shift basis not on the long-term basis of a traveling nurse. Smoak said she had been coming to Carmel all her life since her family bought property 40 years ago and lived in the area during the 1970's as well.

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OUT AND ABOUT

BY STAN HALL

I learned to drive in a 1935 Ford pickup. I was born the same year that rattly old red thing was built, so we were the same age when I first got behind the wheel.

I must have been 10 or 11, and I had been wanting to learn to drive for what I thought was forever when my granddad finally said okay, he would teach me. He probably was tired of me badgering him. But then once I learned to drive, he knew I could help him by operating a tractor or driving one of the absolutely ancient two-ton trucks that we used to haul our wheat crop to town.

One thing about learning to drive on the remote high plains of Texas—if you didn't count cows, windmills and barbed wire fences, there weren't many things that you could hit that would hurt anything. When I think about kids who live in Los Angeles or Washington having to learn to drive today in that kind of congestion, it gives me the shivers.

You can get most luxury options on today's light trucks. The high-riding driver's seat that makes you feel like the king of the road comes standard.

I learned to drive in a pasture—the little one next to the house. It was a half section—a half mile long and a mile wide. My granddad probably figured there wasn't much out there that I could dent.

With the exception of my pride, he was right. I could steer all right, despite all the play in the pickup's steering gear. But shifting it was something else. It was a V8 with a four-speed manual transmission—unsynchronized as was the common technology of the day. The driver was supposed to provide the synchronization—the timing—so that the operation of the cranky old clutch and the balky shifter didn't result in a hair-raising grinding of the gears.

For a while, I had a heck of a time. I was so little, I could hardly depress the clutch, and I would concentrate so hard on making a smooth shift that I'd get it in the wrong gear, most often fourth instead of second. Then the truck, lacking an engine that would lug at low RPMs, would lurch forward violently two or three times and then die with a shudder. Then next time, I would concentrate on hitting the right gear gate and miss the timing with the clutch, gears grinding against one another with a screech.

Finally, after two or three days that seemed like a lifetime, I began to get it right. I had the help of a big overstuffed pillow my grandmother suggested I put behind me on the seat to help me reach the pedals, and from that day to this, I've always loved pickups.

With the exception of four years in the early 1960s when I went back to Texas to farm, my life's work usually took me to offices in big towns—Los Angeles, New York, Washington and Detroit. Even though I really didn't need a pickup, I usually managed to keep a truck of some kind in the garage. I've had all kinds—Fords, Chevys and even an old Dodge Power Wagon that was geared so low it's top freeway speed was about 45 mph.

In 1972, I quit United Press International, and we moved from Washington to Detroit where I went to work for GM. One of the things that appealed to me about the offer I received was that I could buy cars and trucks at a discount as an employee.

The first thing I bought was a 1972 C10 long-wheel base Chevy Fleetside pickup. It was yellow and white, with a 350 cubic-inch V8.

I had absolutely no qualms about driving my shiny new pickup into the executive garage at GM world headquarters. You would have thought I had driven up in a Ford, or maybe a Toyota.

"GM executives don't drive trucks," said an attendant in the garage on one of my first days there. He used the same kind of tone a butler might use to inform you that you're using your desert fork for your salad or have pasta hanging from your chin.

"Well, I drive 'em," I told him. "I drive 'em because I like 'em." He wasn't happy with me at all—he thought the garage must be going to the dogs. But he was afraid not to let me park there.

At the time, I was the speechwriter for E. M. "Pete" Estes, the president of GM. He was a good guy, an engineer, the one who had helped revive Pontiac with stock car racing and the "wide track" stance. Some people credit John DeLorean with changing Pontiac from an old man's car, but it was Estes and Bunkie Knudsen who got the trend started, and Pete was the one who had hired DeLorean.

Pete was the one who first told me that General Motors made more real profit on the sale of a Fleetside pickup truck than any other vehicle it built, including the costliest Cadillac. Mainly, it had to do with volume—making a great many of the same basic thing.

If they're so profitable, I wondered, why didn't the top guys at General Motors pay more attention to trucks?

It was only after I had been there a while that I began to learn that most of GM's top executives simply weren't very interested in trucks. They'd fuss with the styling and engineering of a new car, second guessing the designers and engineers. But when it came to trucks, they left them up to the working stiffs. Some cynics in the company suggested that was why GM put out better trucks than cars.

I was clearly ahead of my time in appreciating trucks—especially compared to a lot of the decision-makers at GM. But a lot of other people who grew up on farms all over the country also had developed an affinity for their utility and versatility.

It was people like us who first realized that pickups made a pretty handy personal transportation vehicle, too. I'm sure that initially, part of the appeal of pickups for personal transportation was simply that they were different than what most everybody else was driving.

They do cast the driver in a different image—at least they did before everybody started driving them. At one time, if you drove a pickup you probably were saying, "See, I'm a little bit different, and I like being a little bit different."

Today, light trucks have become so popular that some manufacturers sell nearly one truck for every two passenger cars. The minivans at Chrysler by themselves are credited with singlehandedly keeping that once-threatened company afloat.

As light trucks have gained popularity, the different models that are offered in the marketplace have exploded, and the line between cars and light trucks is increasingly hard to draw.

Back in 1935, manufacturers made one kind of pickup, period. Today, you can buy variations of pickups, vans and sport utility vehicles in roughly three different sizes—minis, compacts and full-size. You can buy them with long or short beds, conventional cabs, extended cabs or crew cabs. They come in rear-wheel-drive and front-drive. They come in two-wheel drive, part-time four-wheel drive and full-time four-wheel drive.

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DISCOVERY – THE LIVELY ARTS

By Janey Bennett

American Chamber Players at Sunset Center

Five members of the American Chamber Players performed at Sunset Center last Friday night, and a very pleasant performance it was, too. Appearing as part of the season provided by the Chamber Music Society of the Monterey Peninsula, the group began with Beethoven's Eyeglass Duo. The violist was Miles Hoffman, organizer of the group, and the cellist, Jeffrey Solow.

A charming piece of music, it was playfully written by a young Beethoven for friends whose vision required help: he produced a score in oversize notation. This was the one part of the evening when intonation was a bit of a problem. Solow seemed to go sharp throughout the piece.

Elisabeth Adkins, violin, Anthony Cecere, horn, and Edward Newman as guest artist on the piano, did a very nice job with Brahms Trio for horn, violin and piano. The balance between the instruments was very steady, and the performance was quite outgoing in this big, lush composition.

Adkins, Cecere, Hoffman and Solow performed the California premiere of Seymour Barab's Suite for horn, violin, viola and cello, composed in 1992 and commissioned by the American Chamber Players. It was a nervous piece of music with a disjointed pattern to it like a string of interrupted thoughts. The third movement, Allegro Molto Vivace, was more fluid but it still distanced the listener. The fourth movement, the Andante, was reminiscent of Commedia dell'arte performances. I thought of Stravinksy's Pulcinella.

The final movement, Presto, was cacophonous and frenetic, ending abruptly with a flourish. This music has great promise for use with dancers. Some choreographer should pick it up!

To restore a steady pulse and respiration in the audience, the concert concluded with Fauré's Op. 15 Piano Quartet, as comforting and seductive a piece of music as one can imagine. Their performance was stellar—sweeping, celebratory, expansive music performed boldly and graciously. It really was gratifying after the cyclical interrupted phrases of the Barab. Good programming.

The musicianship of this group is good; their ensemble interaction is really fine. the concert will be broadcast on KUSP-FM Jan. 9 at 11 a.m.

Chamber Music Society

The Chamber Music Society, now in its 26th season, prides itself on providing fine quality chamber music concerts for the area at an amazingly low cost to subscribers. The group's first season ticket in 1966 cost just $12.50 with single tickets for $3 and a maximum seating of 75 for each concert. Concerts were held in the Monterey Savings Community Room and, in spite of the inexpensive tickets, $400 in prize money was raised and awarded.

At $45 for season tickets to seven concerts, ticket prices are still modest 26 years later. Single tickets sell for $15, and people under 21 can buy them for just $5. This fiscal achievement has required serious commitment on the part of the founding and subsequent organizers. Twenty-one people serve unpaid terms of three years on the board of directors. There is no paid staff.

President Bee Tomlinson explained, "Membership on our board of directors is open to everybody. you don't have to be a musician. We maintain a 'bank' of names of interested would-be board members, so when we have a vacancy, we can make a withdrawal from our bank of names!"

The difference between ticket sales (memberships in the society, actually) and the operating budget is made up by grants including monies from the Monterey County Cultural Council, AT&T and other foundations and services.

The second goal of the society is to interest young people in chamber music and toward this end, it has produced a chamber music competition for the past 22 years. Although it was initially limited to soloists, it welcomed chamber groups in 1971. This year's Chamber Music Competition and Award Winner's Concert will be held at the end of the season May 7 and 8 in Sunset Center.

Other artists appearing on this season's scheduled include the Fine Arts Quartet Jan. 14, the Virtuosi Quintet Feb. 17, the Golub-Kaplan-Carr Trio March 25 and the Russian Chamber Orchestra April 17.

THE AMERICAN CHAMBER PLAYERS performed at Sunset Center. They were presented by the Chamber Music Society of the Monterey Peninsula.

An Apology for Keillor

I must apologize for making a terrible recommendation in this column. Based on my enjoyment of his 15 years of Prairie Home Companion, I recommended Garrison Keillor's appearance in San Francisco last week.

The evening was built around his Book of Guys which has just been published by Viking Press. In her recent review of the book, Patricia Holt of the Chronicle said, "In most of the stories, the men are struggling to be the noble heroes Keillor wants them to be, while the women are controlling, shallow and horrible. The humor is adolescent and offensive."

I assumed that she was exaggerating. I was wrong. The evening was interminable. When Keillor shared the stage with Kate MacKenzie, they looked like two people who wished they were far apart from each other. When they sang Why Must the Show Go on! I found myself asking, why, indeed?

At one point, Keillor said, "There is no such thing as a mature sense of humor." I don't think I agree with that. His Book of Guys effort was like childish playground sexist smut. It was neither erotic nor humorous. It was merely unpleasant.

The only enjoyable part of the performance was the piano of Richard Dworsky. What was he doing there? What were we doing there? I left at intermission, sorry I ever suggested it would be good.

AWADAGIN PRATT will give a piano recital at Sunset Center at 4 p.m. Sunday, opening the Keyboard Artist Series. Pratt gained international recognition in 1993 by winning the presitigious Walter Naumburg Foundation Award. His program includes Beethoven, Bach and Liszt selections.

It's YOUR Money
by
T. Frank Quilty
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When most folks begin to think about retirement, they consider Social Security, pensions, home equity, inheritances, or the lottery as potential sources of retirement income. However, be cautious.

Social Security is an expensive political hot potato and the rules could change to your detriment. Pension plans have been known to fold leaving employees without protection. The constant increase in home values is no longer a sure thing. Mom and Dad may leave their inheritance to a charity (or worse yet, to your brother-in-law) and the lottery is a long shot.

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BRUSHSTROKES

By Anita DeCarlo

Brad Cole: Another Room at the Arts Museum

Another Room is a step beyond for photography on the Monterey Peninsula. It is not just that this exhibit at the Monterey Penninsula Museum of Art is a multimedia presentation of stills, a technical offspring, but where stills of any subject suggest the photographer's mood and mindset, this multimedia format declares it in a definitive way.

Photography is an art of metaphor. Consciously or unconsciously, the photographer chooses the subject matter because it embodies the essence of some idea or evokes an emotion, either of which he wishes to communicate. The photograph is relevant to the viewer only to the extent to which the ideas or feelings are communicated through commonly understood subject matter.

Ideas and emotions are common to all. Pain, joy, love, sadness and sorrow. Past, present and future are ideas; so is freedom. Emotions and ideas mingle; they can precipitate each other. We all have them, each tempered by our individuality within a common social experience. This is how the arts communicate and also why we need the arts.

Perhaps Brad Cole chose his subjects unconsciously, or simply, that is from the surface, saying, "this is beautiful, this is interesting, this is weird." He looked through the lens and organized lights and darks, textures and shapes. He worked in the darkroom to bring the print to a satisfying image of what he saw though the lens- no manipulation, straight photography.

Viewing his own work, he began to communicate with himself, seeing connections and meanings and messages as his own images stimulated ideas and emotions. The ideas and emotions prompted a new creation from and within the original stills. The result is this transformation of stills to mobility, of external images to internal ones.,

The ideas and emotions the images prompted elicited sound as well. Cole created his own score. He had not been a musician before but necessity mothered the invention. He knew what he felt; he knew what he thought, and he translated. A child does this easily given anything that makes sound. Cole used Tibetan bowls, instruments real (trombone, flute, guitar and cello) and imagined (plastic and metal pipes, found objects, a synthesizer). The sound creates distance and space between the imagery.

PLATE III BY BRAD COLE is one of the photographs in Another Room at the Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art.

The sound, nearly a hundred images, three slide projectors and a computer: the tools are an extension of the man. All the pieces become one whole, all pervasive experience. The presentation is only 25 minutes but I felt myself reeling into history, touching my ancestors, reaching into the future on the wings of wind. I felt my own dark childhood, I flashed as if drowning through my life. Sound and image melted together and became my own dream.

A strange experience to feel that what was outside of me was coming from inside of me. And yet I don't doubt for a minute that each person in the room was equally subjected to Brad Cole's definition of time and space, man's universal and particular journey from antiquity to outer future, creation and re-creation.

There is the nightmare sense of the dark, but not evil or scary. Dark and yet light. A nourishing dark. It is progression as in a story, but ending becomes beginning. Like waking up.

It is completely beautiful. I was immediately struck by the affinity to Akira Kurasawa's film—Roshomon, Yojimbo, Throne of Blood, Seven Samurai). Kurasawa is the master of montage, the sequence of images in aesthetic progression. If Another Room were not beautifully done, the relevant images, the shapes and values and textures aesthetically relative, the message would have been missed. The medium *is* the message.

Years ago Cartier-Bresson, in The Decisive Moment, wrote "...through the act of living, the discovery of oneself is made concurrently with the discovery of the world around us which can mold us, but which can also be affected by us. A balance must be established between these two worlds—the one inside us and the one outside us. As the result of a constant reciprocal process, both these worlds come to form a single one and it is this world that we must communicate."

He was a great photographer speaking to photographers about their role (job? mission?) Brad Cole did just that.

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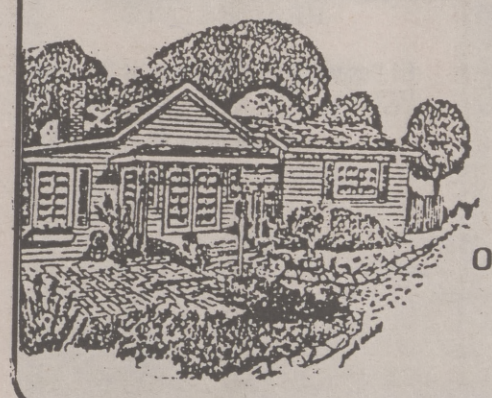
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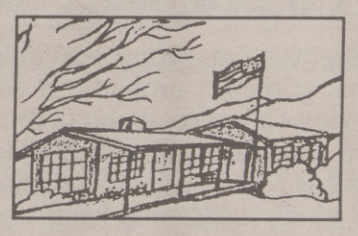
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CVVIC Withdraws Big Pathway Grant Request; Planned Work Will Proceed

Chair Leslie Voss of the Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee (CVVIC) said the group has withdrawn its request for a $300,000 federal transportation grant to help it build pedestrian pathways in the Village.

As a result, she told CVVIC's regular monthly meeting Friday that funds that had been held in reserve to use to meet a matching funds requirement will be released. That will enable construction of additional segments of pathways past the Community Center on Ford Road to Tularcitos Elementary School.

In addition to the pathway to the school on Ford Road, CVVIC is also planning a segment on the north side of Tularcitos, although exact details have not been finalized.

Among the money that will now be released for construction is $30,000 that CVVIC obtained last year from the federal government's Transportation Enhancement Act (TEA). It had been held in reserve along with $30,000 in CVVIC funds to meet a requirement that CVVIC provide $60,000 to qualify for the larger grant.

With the decision made to withdraw the application for the larger grant, Voss said, "Now we'll proceed quickly on the (pathway) projects at hand."

The group has raised and spent more than $100,000 in the past four years building and landscaping meandering pedestrian pathways through the unincorporated Village.

CVVIC's principal fundraising activity has been the annual Village Affair, and Peter Coakley, its chairman, said the 1994 event will be held Jan. 17 at Los Laureles Lodge.

He said the use of two tents on the west side of the lodge this year will allow the silent auction to be held in the same location where 20 Village restaurants and caterers and seven area wineries will be serving their best offerings.

At the same time, he said an even larger tent will be erected on the east side of the inn near the swimming pool to provide more room for entertainment and the live auction.

"It's going to be better than ever," Coakley promised. "We made $30,000 last year in one night, and we intend to make at least $1 more than that this year."

WORKERS PUT THE finishing touches on a link in the Carmel Valley Village Pathway at Ford Road and Carmel Valley Road. The Carmel Valley Village Improvement Committee which raised the bulk of funds to build the pathways has withdrawn its request for a federal transportation grant for the project.

SPCA Says Don't Stuff Your Pet

Don't be tempted into giving your dog or cat some of your Thanksgiving dinner, the SPCA of Monterey County warned.

Greasy foods like stuffing, sauce and gravy can cause your pet to have stomach problems and diarrhea while turkey bones can splinter easily, the SPCA said.

The organization recommended making special pet treats for your dog or cat and moving the animal to a secluded area away from the tempting sights and smells. To protect your pet from being frightened by visitors, it also suggested having identification tags brought up to date in case you have a runaway animal.

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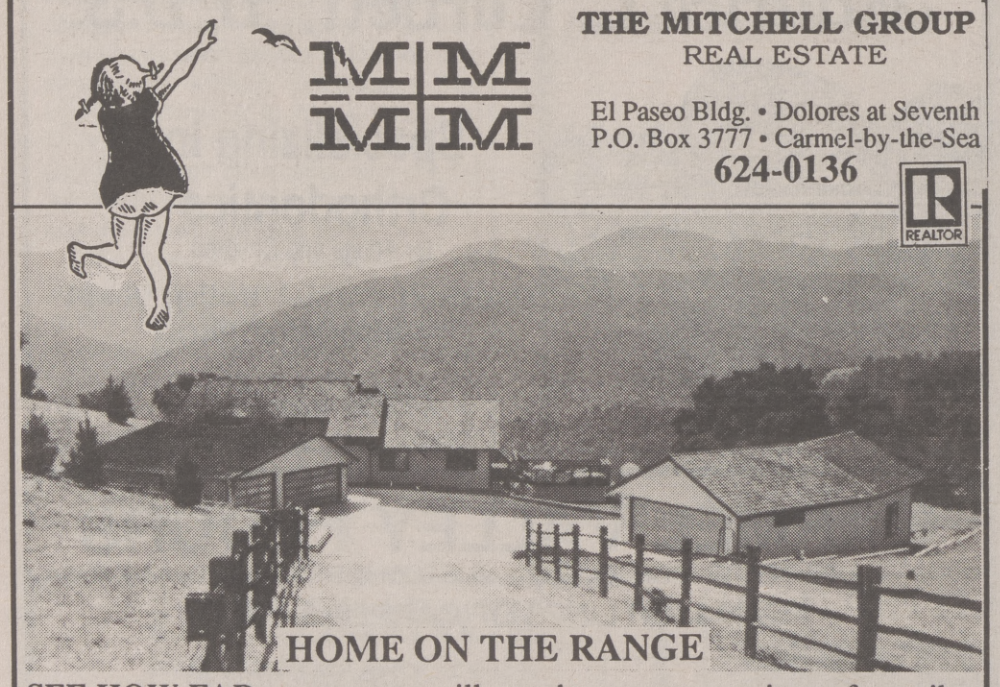

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CARMEL

LOPEZ AVENUE. Roy Woods to Stephen and Janene M. Montgomery. $405,000.

SAN CARLOS STREET. Donald Bauer to Todd J. and Brooke Elmgren. $320,000.

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CARMEL VALLEY

HACIENDA CARMEL. Raymonde B. Julien to Lilith James. $176,500.

VALLE VISTA. Fred A. and Patricia M. Sorri to Sol Beatriz Rosinski. $288,500.

Valley Firemen Plan Controlled Burn Of House Saturday

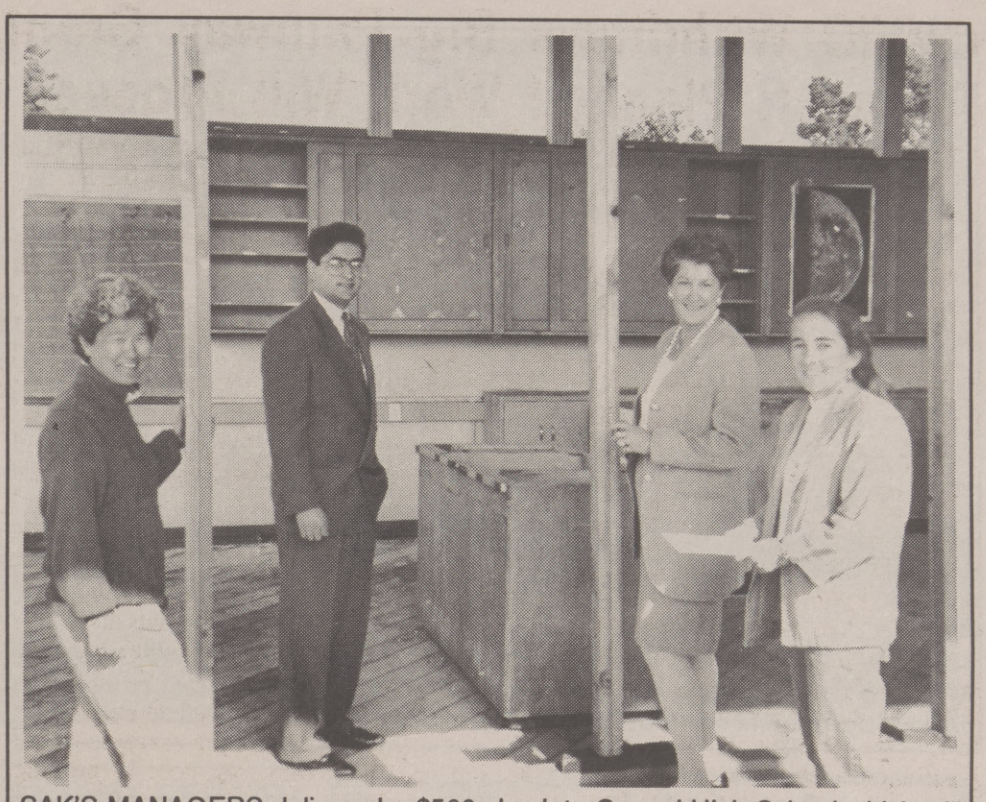
A vacant house at 12 Ring Lane in Carmel Valley will be torched Saturday for a controlled burn to give about 40 area fighters a chance to train in critical techniques.

The 3,000-square-foot house, which was scheduled to be demolished anyway, is west of Los Laureles Grade off of Miramonte Road.

Capt. Jeff Trapp of the Carmel Valley Volunteer Department said it is owned by Lee Newell, who gave firemen permission for the controlled burn. He said Newell plans to build a new house on the site. Trapp said letters were sent to neighbors informing them of the plan.

He said about 40 firefighters from Carmel Valley, Mid Valley and Cachagua would take part, concentrating on ventilation—a technique where a hole is cut in a roof to allow hot gases and smoke to escape an attic. In addition, the drills will include search and rescue and basic fire extinguishment practice, he said.

The drill will start at 8 a.m. and take until about 6 p.m., Trapp said.



SAK'S MANAGERS delivered a $500 check to Carmel High School which will be used by the science department for a sterilizer. Standing in the science wing which was burned by an arson fire last June are Marie Ishida, Carmel High principal, Mike Jamali, assistant manager at Sak's, Marlene Liserani, Sak's manager and Jodi Shaw, a science teacher. Rebuilding of the wing began this week. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

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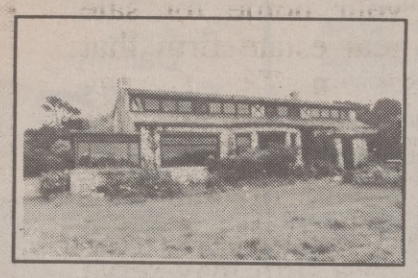

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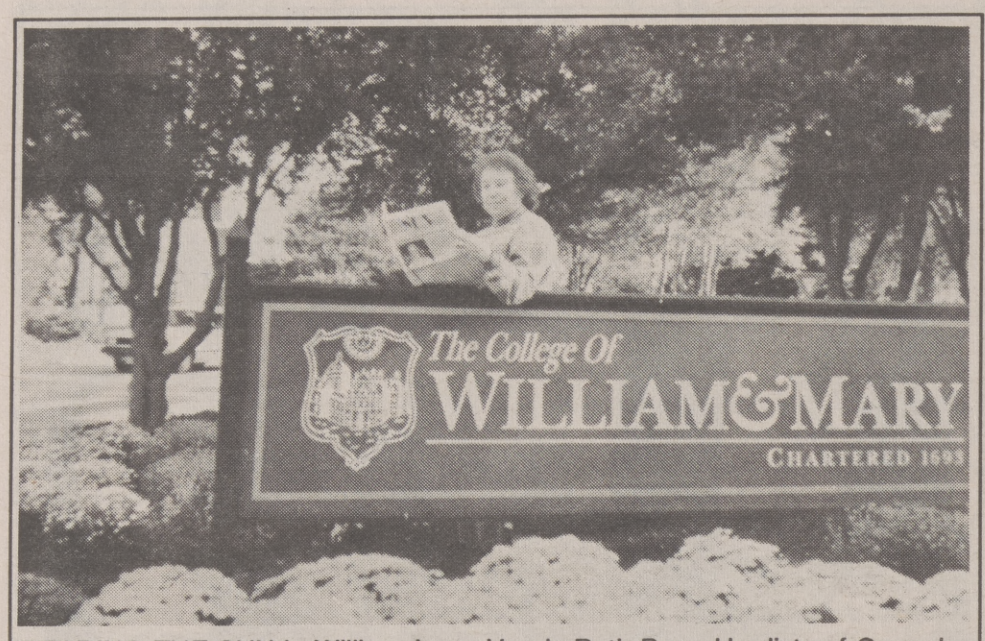

READING THE SUN in Williamsburg, Va., is Ruth Pryer-Hardisty of Carmel Valley. She was visiting her daughter who is an assistant professor in the Biology Department of the College of William and Mary.

NEW BABIES

John Francis, III, a son, born to **Lisa Diane De Maria and John Francis Pott, Jr.**, Carmel Valley, 9/28

Dana Elizabeth, a daughter, born to **Sarah and Steven Foy**, Carmel Valley, 10/04.

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SUPERIOR COURT
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Case No. M27707
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
(CCP1277)
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Filed October 20, 1993
Date: December 3, 1993
Time: 9:30 A.M.
IN THE MATTER of the Application of Petitioner, for Change of Name
WHEREAS EVE HORN, Petitioner, has filed a petition with the clerk of this court for a decree changing petitioner's name from:EVE HORN to EVE WIRTH;
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above matter appear in this court, located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California, on December 3, 1993, at 9:30 A.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in *The Carmel Sun*, a newspaper of general circulation printed in Monterey County, California, once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition.
DATED: October 20, 1993
ROBERT O'FARRELL
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Filed October 27, 1993
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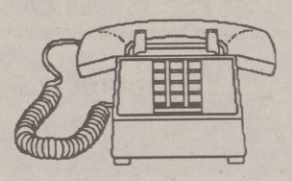

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With the win, Carmel regained possession of the "Shoe," an old football cleat that goes to the winner of the PG-Carmel game each year. PG had kept it for six years.

Running back Evi Plata scored twice in the fourth quarter to give the Padres the victory. He scored first on a 20-yard run and then, following Matt Goldman's recovery of an errant Breaker handoff, bolted seven yards for a TD with slightly over two minutes to play.

On the day, Plata carried the ball 17 times and gained 93 yards.

The game ended the Padres' season. They were 1-5 in the MTAL—the same as PG—and 3-6 on the year.

The game was as close statistically as the score indicated. Carmel picked up 13 first downs to 10 for the Breakers and total yardage was almost dead even—233 to 230, the edge going to PG.

Quarterback John Geisler scored Carmel's first touchdown, racing up the middle for 34 yards. He passed for 138 yards in the game, going 10 for 16 and avoiding the interceptions which have plagued him in the past several games.

In one of the pivotal plays of the game, Geisler avoided a strong PG rush on third and 30 from his own 15 and hit Dustin Nagai with a 45-yard pass, helping set up Plata's first score.

Nagai was Geisler's favorite receiver in the contest, hauling in five passes good for 77 yards. Plata caught two balls, good for 30 yards.

In the junior varsity game, PG picked up a 38-12 win, dropping Carmel to 3-3 for the MTAL season.

Quarterback John Martine ran 99 yards for one Padre TD, and Robbie Shepner caught a 75-yard scoring pass from Matt Williams—his 11th excursion into the end zone of the season.

Beach Cleanup Set Saturday

The Carmel Residents Association meets Saturday for its monthly cleanup of Carmel Beach. Charcoal, half-burnt wood and other remnants of beach fires will be the special target.

Newcomers are invited to join the regular volunteers at Scenic Road and 13th Avenue at 10 a.m. for coffee and cake and organization into work groups.

Sun to Publish Early Because of Holiday

The Sun will publish its next issue on Wednesday instead of Thursday because of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Because of the earlier printing date, editorial and advertising copy must be submitted by the end of the day on Friday.

Freeway Showdown Delayed

Continued from front page

unobtrusive." He estimated it would cost $20 million by 1997, the earliest it could be built. However, there was wide disagreement on the cost of the underpasses.

Chair Barbara Shipnuck of the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) noted the agency already had voted for the projects it wanted to build with any savings. After the commissioners had voted, she reminded members that TAMC had always said it would approve the freeway if all else failed.

Director James van Loben Sels of Caltrans, saying he was raised on the peninsula, said he had taken a personal interest in the controversy surrounding the proposed 2.8 mile extension of the freeway to ease congestion at Carmel Valley Road and up Carmel Hill.

"I went into depth in reviewing (Caltrans' position) to see that we had the right answer." He said he, too, had come to the peninsula and walked Hatton Canyon.

"I'm satisfied I must press on (with the freeway)," he said. He did not oppose the 60-day extension of a CTC deadline for TAMC to allow more review, but said the freeway route known as 1C Modified is the best solution.

He said his personal "review shows that the project (4/U) will cost more than proponents claim, and it will solve the traffic less. We don't think in all candor anything will come out of it (the further study) because the cost is more than they think it is."

Joyce Stevens of Carmel, a member of the Hatton Canyon Coalition which has joined in a suit to block the freeway, complained "Caltrans has raised stonewalling to an art form."

Stevens, who said she had received 400 post cards opposing the freeway in the past week, said she had spoken with Skip Lloyd, co-chair of the coalition Tuesday night. The coalition would drop its suit challenging Caltrans' environmental impact report (EIR) on the freeway if a suitable alternative could be agreed upon, she said. The suit is scheduled to go to trial in federal court in San Jose in January.

Proponents of the freeway suggested to commissioners that a 60-day extension would simply let opponents of the freeway come up with even more alternatives to be studied.

George Ferguson of Carmel, who delivered 3,200 petitions to the CTC favoring the freeway, suggested commissioners were just "being jerked around. They'll be back in 60 days with 4/X and 4/Y."

State Sen. Henry Mello suggested the next alternative to building the freeway could be "a suspended aerial project supported by balloons."

In his 20-minute description of 4/U, Gromko said "the weakest portion is the weave (merging) distance from the Carpenter tunnel back onto Highway 1."

He said the level of service (LOS) if 4/U is built would be C in the year 2000 and D in 2010. Gary Black, an engineer from Barton-Ashton, which was hired by the coalition, said the LOS on the road now is F, so motorists definitely would see an improvement.

Alan Williams, president of Carmel Development Co., noted the wide disparity in estimated costs of building the two tunnels, from $5 million to $15 million. "The 60 days would give us time to nail down the estimates," he said.

An associate of Williams', Michael Waxer, cited the results of a poll conducted by The Sun on the long-running controversy. "What it tells me," he said, "is 99 percent of the people want a solution, although they might solve it in different way."

Williams told commissioners he was appearing on behalf of his client and friend, Clint Eastwood, who has supported the widening plans.

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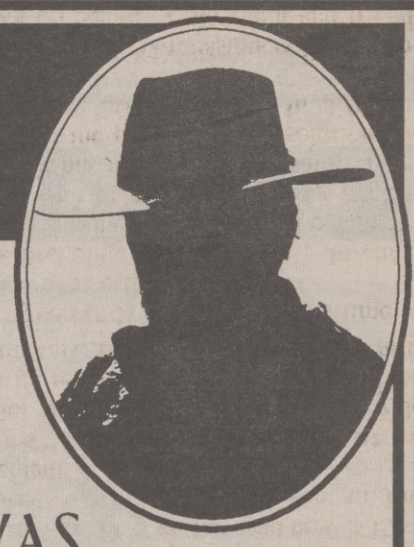

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